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A police constable guarding the entrance of one of the requisitioned flats at 87 Lockhart Road. Seen nailed to the door is an official letter, authorizing the requisition. All quarters requisitioned yesterday are situated in houses built before the war.—(China Mail Photo).

KMT-Communist Peace Rumours Gaining Ground

Shanghai, October 31.

Chinese business circles in Shanghai—usually the largest hotbed of rumours but some times one of the best informed sources—today insisted that a Kuomintang-Communist peace is in the offing.

These rumours—nebulous and impossible to track down—claimed that peace terms will be something like this:

1. Chiang Kai-shek will be requested to go abroad, possibly to the United States.
2. Vice-President Li Tsung-jen will become President.
3. The Communist leader, Mao Tse-tung, will become Vice-President.
4. The National Defence Minister, General Ho Ying-chin, and the Communist Commander-in-Chief, General Chu Teh, will take over defence affairs.

USSR Denies Reports On Police Boost

London, October 31.

The Soviet Union reported today that it recently increased the police force in the Soviet occupation zone of Germany by 10,000 men, but categorically denied Anglo-American reports that the Russian-controlled police there now number between 200,000 and 300,000.

The statement is based on a Tass news agency dispatch from Berlin distributed in London by the Soviet Monitor. The text of the dispatch follows:

"Of late certain American and British newspapers and also the Voice of America broadcastists circulated fantastic statements invented by them alleging that police units numbering 400,000 men were formed in the Soviet occupation zone of Germany."

"These absurd statements were supported at press conferences by the American Commander, General Lucius D. Clay who mentioned a figure of 300,000 policemen, and by the British Commander, General Sir Brian Robertson who mentioned a figure of 200,000 policemen."

"In reality, the police force in the Soviet zone of occupation has in the recent period been increased by 10,000 men. The increase was called for by the need to intensify the struggle against speculators and other individuals sent into the Soviet zone with a view to disrupting its economy."—United Press.

Americans Told To Quit Peiping

Nanking, October 31.

Americans living in Peiping and Tientsin will be told officially on Monday they should get out before normal communications are disrupted by military operations.

An Embassy spokesman said the American consuls in both cities would circulate letters to all registered Americans calling attention to the situation and advising that emergency facilities are not likely to be available to assist them if they fail to take advantage of existing commercial means of travel.—AP.

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GOVT REQUISITIONS 35 VACANT PREMISES

Dramatic Move To Solve Colony's Housing Problem ALLOCATION TO PUBLIC

Thirty-five vacant private residential premises on the Island and Mainland, including a number of self-contained houses, were seized by Government yesterday in a dramatic move to solve the housing problem and stamp out key money rackets.

The requisition raids by the Police were carried out simultaneously on both sides of the harbour at about 7.15 a.m. Raids were made at Lockhart Road, Mosque Junction, King Kwong Street, Caroline Road, Stubbs Road, Prince Edward Road, Pratas Street, Soares Avenue, Liberty Avenue and Stafford Road.

All the seized premises are in buildings constructed before the war. None of the vacant premises built since Liberation was touched.

The requisitioned premises will be allocated to members of the public at the equivalent of fair rentals, said an official statement yesterday by the Competent Authority, Mr. K.M.A. Barnett.

The statement added that Government will be responsible for selected properties. The eventual occupants or their employers will be required to enter into agreements with Government to ensure that there is no loss from public funds, said the statement.

One of the requisitioned premises on the Island and two on the mainland are likely to be used to accommodate essential Government personnel.

Referring to yesterday's action, the official statement said that the premises concerned had been found to be vacant for some time in spite of the acute housing difficulties afflicting the Colony.

Two flats at No. 273, Prince Edward Road, belonging to W. K. Lee of the Lee Hysan Estates, were released from requisition when tenants were found in them. The occupants of one flat told the police that they had moved in four days ago. The occupants of the second flat said they had moved in the night before.

It has been unofficially estimated that there are between 4,000 and 5,000 vacant residential premises in the Colony. High rents and exorbitant key money demands have discouraged house-starved residents from renting them.

Of the estimated 4,000-5,000 vacant premises, about 1,000 are buildings constructed after the Liberation.

Guards Posted

Requisition notices signed by Mr. K.M.A. Barnett were posted on the doors of each of the 35 premises seized yesterday. Two constables were posted at each of the premises.

Russia Backs Appeal On Living Standards

Paris, October 31.

Russia yesterday came out in support of Latin American and other underdeveloped countries appeal for assistance in a drive for the development of member nations with low standards of living.

A number of Latin American countries, reinforced by underdeveloped member countries in Europe, the Middle East and the Far East, individually and jointly tabled draft resolutions before the United Nations Economic and Social Council's General Assembly to support aid measures to less developed countries by means of technical assistance, expert advice and public and private capital.

The proposal before the committee which unleashed the discussion came from Iraq urging the need for collective efforts to improve the economic conditions of member states which have low standards of living.

Russian Solution

Russia, supporting the move, said industrial powers, instead of giving help were in fact exploiting underdeveloped countries, and insisted that solution of the problem of underdeveloped countries lay in their industrialization.

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Cossack In Rescue

Singapore, October 31.

The British Navy announced tonight that the British destroyer HMS Cossack rescued 1,200 Chinese military personnel by life-line after the Chinese trooper Yunglung was driven ashore off Formosa.

—Associated Press.

The premises on which the police posted requisition notices yesterday, included the following:

No. 157 to 167 (three floors each) Pratas Street, Shamshui; No. 12 Soares Avenue, Homantin.

No. 6, Liberty Avenue, Homantin; No. 10, Stafford Road, Kowloon Tong.

Nos. 87 to 93, (third floors) Lockhart Road, Wanchai; No. 19 (ground and first floor), Mosque Junction;

No. 21 (third floor) King Kwong Street, Happy Valley, No. 7, Shui Fat Terrace (Stubbs Road);

No. 14 (ground floor) Caroline Road (old China Motor Bus Motor Company premises).

The requisition notices on 273, Prince Edward Road were withdrawn.

To The Public

Allocation of the requisitioned premises to members of the public will be undertaken by a Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. Benson.

The following bodies will be invited to nominate members to the committee: the General Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and the Kowloon Residents' Association.

The assistance of these bodies as well as of the Commandants of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps and Hong Kong Naval Volunteer Force, respectively, and of Unofficial Justices of the Peace will be sought in sponsoring applications by members of the public for the previously vacant residences.

An announcement will shortly be made specifying when, where and how applications should be lodged as well as giving a general indication of the locality and type and rent of the premises for allocation, said the official statement yesterday.

Owners of properties requisitioned yesterday will be given until 12 noon on Saturday, November 6, to make in writing to the Deputy Colonial Secretary such representations as they wish in regard to the action which has been taken, added the statement.

Israeli Troops Seize Entire Galilee Area

Tel Aviv, October 31.

Israel claimed today that its lightning-like operation in North Palestine has returned the whole of the Galilee district to Jewish control before the cease-fire deadline at 11 a.m. today.

It was reported that white flags of surrender were seen through the irregular Arab army commanded by Fawzi Kawkaji gave up to Jewish troops in their 48-hour campaign.

The Israeli military spokesman, Lieutenant Colonel Moshe Perlman, described the operation immediately after it ended as a complete success for the Zionist forces.

"Many hundreds of Kawkaji's forces were taken prisoner and there were several hundred Arab casualties. Total Israeli casualties were 10 killed."

"This entire Galilee is in our hands following a short, sharp campaign," he said.

Shortly after the cease-fire deadline, Colonel Perlman reported that Kawkaji was not complying with the cease-fire order issued by the Lebanese, holding that his forces of irregulars are not bound by the Lebanese decision.

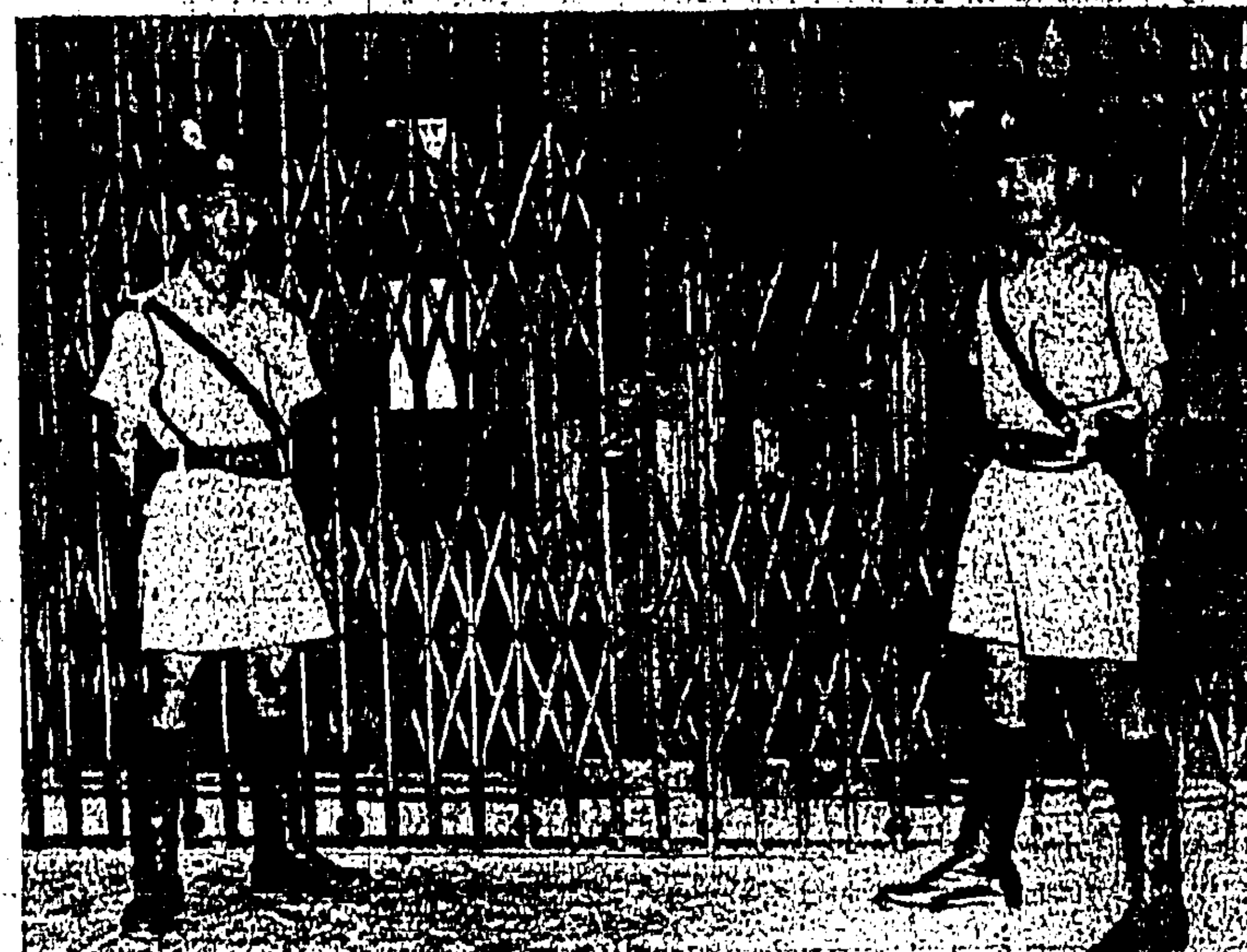
Colonel Perlman said Germans, Yugoslavs and Poles were among the prisoners taken by Israel. "Kawkaji himself was close to capture but saved his neck in a last-minute flight from Tarsishin," he said.—United Press.

The Weather

The anticyclone continues to dominate China, Japan and the neighbouring seas. From a vigorous depression system E of Japan, a rough squall SW across the Philippines to Malaya.

Today's Forecast—Moderate NE to E winds. Fair to fine. 10 to 12 degrees. Tomorrow's Weather—Maximum: 73.3 deg. F. Minimum: 58.3 deg. F. Rainfall: 0.0 in. Total since Jan. 1—546.7 mm.—99.90 in. as against an average of 507.5 mm.—81.27 in. for the month.

Dew at sea: 102.4-101.8 m.h. Equals: 20.10-20.03 inches. Rel. Humidity: 84-87 %. Wind: 17-27 kts. E. Wind Direction: 200-210. Wind Force: 11-15 knots. Tide: High 11.15, Low 11.15. High 11.15, Low 11.15. Low 11.15, High 11.15. Low 11.15, High 11.15.



Two constables are shown guarding the locked and barred entrance of 14, Caroline Road, one of the vacant residential quarters requisitioned by the Government yesterday. The requisitioned living accommodations were observed to have been empty for several months. The Government move is hoped to alleviate the housing shortage which has faced the Colony ever since the end of the war. The requisitioned quarters will be made available to the public.—(China Mail Photo)

Lid Flies Off Govt's Price Controls As Unfreezing Decreed

Nanking, October 31.

In a reversal of its economic policies adopted two months ago, the Chinese Government today abolished the August 19 price ceilings and decreed that prices of essential commodities, including daily necessities and industrial raw materials, will be adjusted according to the actual cost under conditions prevailing at present.

The new ruling, intended to relieve the acute shortage of commodities which has brought normal business activity practically to a standstill in the major cities, authorised responsible Government agencies to revise the prices of cotton, yarn, sugar, coal and salt on the basis of the prevailing cost under a plan to ensure normal supplies to all consumers.

The Government decree also provided trading in foodstuffs on the basis of prevailing market prices, free and uncontrolled transportation and sale thereof, and penalties according to the law for speculation and hoarding.

Abandonment of the price freezing order, which was the key element of Premier Wang Ching-wei's late scheme for economic recovery, was interpreted as Government admission of the partial failure of its policy.

To Side With West

With the unfreezing of essential daily needs, which disappeared from the market for the market for the whole last month, as expected to make their re-appearance, but at prices three to five times the August 19 level.

The new measures, it is understood, also provide for the establishment of the pay scale of civil servants, a limited rationing system, regulation of supply and demand and Government assistance in boosting domestic production.

The Finance Minister, Wang Yung-wei, said today that the ban on private possession and sale and buying of gold, silver and foreign currency will be lifted.

Meanwhile, Communist troops are expected to enter Mukden tonight having broken through the outer defences and launched direct assaults on the city, according to pro-Government reports today.

The Communists have captured Tungling and Pelling airfields and are clearing in on the city's inner defences. From the North East and North West the fire is clearly audible inside the city.

Reflect Hopes

The bulk of the Nationalist garrison evacuated Mukden two weeks ago leaving behind only a small rear-guard force.

The reported Communist capture of Mukden yesterday was premature. The Government military spokesman this morning said the city is still in Government hands.

US Navy May Stay In Tsingtao

Washington, October 30.

A United States Navy spokesman said today that the presence of the aircraft carrier, Tarawa and the transport, Princeton, at Tsingtao should not be interpreted as meaning that the United States intended to withdraw from Tsingtao. He pointed out that withdrawal is possible if top United States authorities decided on such course of action, but said that the arrival of the Tarawa and Princeton has been planned for some time.

The spokesman recalled that the Navy announced in September that the Tarawa and Princeton would leave San Diego on October 1 "for a routine exercise in the far Pacific." He pointed out that Task Force 98, of which the vessels based at Tsingtao are part, acts as a "troop" unit and in fact comprises the entire Third Fleet and frequently has ships added or removed.

The spokesman said that other ships in addition to the Tarawa and Princeton are also in their way to Tsingtao, and that the vessels could not be revealed because of the present time such information regarding Far Eastern manoeuvres is classified.—United Press.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB**NOTICE TO MEMBERS****Ninth Extra Race Meeting**

Saturday, 6th November, 1948.

The First Ball will be rung at 1.00 p.m. and the first race will be run at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax, are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all chits etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE CLUBS.

The Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27418).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, etc., who are not permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SEKVIANT'S PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY who are requested to distribute them with discretion. Passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' hands.

BY ORDER

S. A. SEKVIANT

Actg. Secretary

INSPECTORS TO CHECK ON KOWLOON BUSES**Local Hindus Celebrate Dewali Day**

Dewali, a national holiday of the Hindus, was yesterday observed throughout the Colony with parties and religious services.

Among the Hindu community, greetings were exchanged in the form of sweetmeats, cakes and fruits and many Indian firms were recipients of monetary gifts.

Services were held at the Hindu Temple at Gap Road from 7 p.m. last night and all attendees and well wishers were treated to a free meal.

The occasion is in commemoration to King Rama who was exiled for 14 years (some 2,000 years ago) and on whose return to occupy the throne, the occasion was observed as the Festival of Lights.

The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. is instituting, as from today, inspectors' patrols to check on bus passengers, the "China Mail" learned from a usually reliable source yesterday.

The growing evasion of payment of fares, and of passengers purchasing half-fare tickets when they are not entitled to do so, has forced the bus concern to take action.

According to the "China Mail" informant, Government has been asking the management of the KMB for an explanation as to the increasing number of half-fare tickets sold by their conductors.

Members of the Motor Drivers' Association, said the informant, have been purchasing half-fare tickets. They are not entitled to do so, but a conductor dared to deny them the right for fear of being beaten up.

There had been a lot of trouble, and fights, with members of the Hong Kong Training Corps over the question of half-fare tickets.

Being members of the British military services, they are fully entitled to pay 10 cents, but only if they are in uniform.

Some of these men, said the informant, insist on paying half-fare when in civvies. Not only that, but some go so far as to demand a 10-cent ticket for members of their family.

The "Inspector's patrols" will compose of four inspectors, who will, like a police radio patrol, patrol the different routes in the bus. They are empowered to stop a bus anywhere, inspect the tickets, and take action against a free-rider or anyone paying only 10 cents instead of 20.

Duke Gets Ready For Fatherhood

London, October 31.

A young man whose wife is about to have her first baby is bound to think about his responsibilities. And that is true whether his name is plain Jim, Jones or Prince Philip Duke of Edinburgh.

Like many a man of high or low degree before him, the thought of approaching fatherhood has sobered the blond handsome duke. His fun-loving days appear to be over—or at least interrupted. He acts like someone who has suddenly found a purpose in life.

Last night, a new and serious Prince Philip made another of his increasingly frequent public appearances that has been his lot since he quietly shouldered some of the royal family assignments that ordinarily would fall on Princess Elizabeth.

The invited audience at the "Bonnie Prince Charlie" noted that Prince Philip was gracious, but reserved where he used to be smiling and exuberant. At the subsequent cocktail party, he hurried one drink for an uncommonly long time.

Changed Car Friends can hardly credit the change. Only a year ago, Prince Philip was scooting at breakneck speed in and out of London in his roadster. Recently he gave the car away and got a more conservative model.

At his bachelor farewell dinner, he thought it most amusing to shatter flash bulbs against the walls of the swank Dorchester Hotel. Now he can't wait to get a crack at his suite at the Palace to resume his studies on constitutional law.

And he is paying an intense interest in the House of Lords in which he sits whenever possible. On most of his appearances there, he seeks out Vis-

count Samuel, eminent Liberal peer and questions him incessantly about practice and procedure.

Now that he has a wife, Prince Philip is more careful about his dress which is inclined to be somewhat too casual for the palace.

In all, his more serious demeanour squares with the reports that, like his famous uncle, Earl Mountbatten, he is being groomed for important jobs in the Empire.

The old Philip who drank pints of beer and bowled skittles with the neighbourhood folk at the rural public house, seems to be gone for good. In his place, is the Duke of Edinburgh, expectant father.—United Press.

"Murder, Rape" in Pakistan

Paris, October 31.

Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan of Pakistan charged to night that an absolute censorship is hiding happenings in Hyderabad "which would shock the world if they were known."

He told a news conference "murders, looting, rape and arson" are taking place in the princely state.

The Dominion of India, Pakistan's commonwealth neighbour, recently sent her troops into Hyderabad and they are now in virtual control of the state. The Indian Government is seeking to incorporate Hyderabad into its own territory. Ali Khan said the UN Security Council "has not dealt with the Hyderabad question as expeditiously and effectively as it should."

Pakistan has asked to be heard when the case comes before the council.

The Kashmir question is now the main issue in dispute between India and ourselves, today. Unless it is settled satisfactorily and justly there is little hope of establishing friendly relations between the countries.

Associated Press.

"Mileage Millionaires"

London, October 30. Two hundred and fifty British Overseas Aircraft Corporation air crews have now become "mileage millionaires"—those who have flown a million miles or more, states the Corporation.

Two hundred and two are captains of aircraft, 42 are radio officers and six are engineer officers. All, except about 10 now holding administrative posts, are still flying on BOAC services.

Two have flown over 3,000,000 miles—Captains E.G.J. Atcock, of Whitehall, E.G.J. Manchester, and Captain O.P. Jones, of Purley, Surrey.

Seven have flown over 2,000,000 miles.—Reuter.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Fresh Air

Sir—I would like to express my appreciation to the Management of the Alhambra Theatre for including in their Programme a British news film. I am sure it was like a breath of fresh air to their many British patrons.

G. H. LLOYD

HK Iron Curtain?

Sir—This matter of Hotel Charges so obviously affects large vested interests and that the public are naturally anxious to know whether they are getting justice. In particular I and a great number of other people would like to read a public statement concerning:

(a) Government reasons for postponing their control scheme.

(b) Facts and figures on which such control scheme.

(c) Government facts and figures were vetted and approved by Government experts. If so, why drop the scheme? If not, why drop it? And who is to blame?

(d) Why, although the present committee considering the matter is presumably chosen as unconnected with either hotel or residents' interests and although it is not suggested that it is not impartial, in view of the public concern the committee should contain a judicial officer or someone trained in fitting justice so that not only should justice be done but be seen to be done.

(e) Whether the present Committee is sitting in private, as believe or whether the public may attend. Even with the great prestige of British judges, the public interest in matters of public interest are always open to the public. Here in Hong Kong where the public has no elected representatives to air their grievances it is even more important.

The public statement should also make clear:

1. Whether evidence is being heard on oath before the Committee and whether such evidence will be made public together with any relevant reports and petitions.

2. What is the cause of the delay by the hotels in sending in reports and in event of a finding against the hotels whether the hotels will be made to refund to residents the profits made by such delay?

3. Whether the hotels are being heard on oath before the Committee and whether such evidence will be made public together with any relevant reports and petitions.

4. It is to be sincerely hoped that the "Iron Curtain" has not come to Hong Kong, and that if it is sealed it will not be with a Government stamp.

"NOT AMUSED"

Fatshan Methodist Hospital Appeals For Rebuilding Fund

In connection with the present appeal for the Methodist Hospital at Fatshan, it may be of interest to recall something of its history.

It was founded in 1873 by Dr. Wenyon who was both minister and doctor and even something of an explorer as well.

The only site he could get was the old execution ground, but here he was able to introduce western medicine into the city, which then as now, was not only the centre of a large rice-growing area but housed such a large number of smaller industries that it has been called the "Birmingham of South China."

Before even the Trans-Siberian railway was built, Dr. Wenyon once made his way into North China and then via Siberia into Europe.

This great pioneer was succeeded by another remarkable Minister—Dr. W. B. Anderson. He not only ran the Hospital but preached three times every Sunday, trained his own nurses (at that time male nurses only), and opened a Medical Training School.

First Nurses It seems to have been in his time that the first female nurses were trained. One of the earliest was a little slave-girl who came into the Hospital in a dying condition, after having been tied up to a pole by her mistress. She is still with the Hospital as a respected lay almoner.

Dr. P. V. Early followed and remained Superintendent until 1937. He was a man of very different temperament, but, equally, great gifts. Quiet and retiring, his skill as a doctor and his great humanity won him the affection of all with whom he had contact, and the devotion of the Chinese staff.

It was Dr. Early who, inspired and encouraged Chinese to take positions of responsibility in the hospital and who solidly established the present Nursing School, the co-operation of Miss K. M. Banks, the present matron of the Hospital, over 200 graduates have gone from the Nursing School to Hong Kong, Canton, and other parts of South China.

One interesting story is told of Dr. Early. In the great flood of 1915, the greatest flood in living memory, Dr. Early once stepped from the steps of his house into a boat and travelled directly across the fields to Shamen, and across Shamen to the Mission House.

Rare Gift From 1937 to 1941 Dr. Hollings took over the superintendency. With his Yorkshire sense of humour, the fact that his wife was a foreigner, and the fact that he was a foreigner, he was a rare gift to the Hospital.

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Work On Rehabilitation Of Kowloon Playgrounds

MONTY CIGS FOR LAST TIME

London, October 30. Viscount Montgomery will be making his last formal appearance as Chief of the Imperial General Staff when he stands with the King and Queen in Hyde Park tomorrow at a review of 6,000 men and women of the Territorial Army.

Queen Mary, the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, Princess Royal, who is Controller-Commandant of the ATS, and the War Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, will also be present.

Territorials from all parts of the country reached London today. Members of the ATS from all units of the Anti-Aircraft Command spent the night in a camp on Richmond Park.

Between 5,000 and 6,000 Territorials were sleeping in deep shelters in London.

In the march-past, each Command will be headed by a band and if the weather is fine, there will be a fly-past by Staffs, Spittles, Vanguards and Meteor Jet Fighters. (Reuter.)

MPs Rebuke UK Govt

London, October 30. Mr. Phil Piratin, Communist Member of Parliament, and two Independent Labour Members, have tabled a motion rebuking the Government for "permitting this country to become an advance base in the war plans of the United States Imperialist Government."

This motion is in the form of an amendment to the King's Speech last Tuesday, which embodied the Government's legislative programme for the current Parliament session.

Among other things, the motion expressed regret that the Government is continuing a policy of hostility to the Soviet Union and of submission to the United States.

One of the Independent sponsors, Mr. John Platt-Mills, was expelled from the Labour Party last April for his part in organising a telegram of support from Labour back benches to Italian Socialists, who formed a Popular Front with Communists.

The other, Mr. D.N. Pritt, an eminent King's Counsel, was expelled from the Labour Party in 1949 for espousing the Soviet cause during the Russo-Finnish war. (Reuter.)

Did Turner Keep On Painting After 'Death'?

London, October 30. Did Joseph Mallord William Turner, England's famed but eccentric master painter, really live a Jekyll-and-Hyde existence after his funeral service in 1851?

A Bristol schoolmaster thought he did, although public records show the great painter died and was buried in that year in St. Paul's Cathedral.

For 30 years Frederick Pickles, head of St. George's Grammar School in Bristol, spent all his spare time in tracking down what he claimed the "mysterious and baffling" story of Turner's life. He ended up convinced that Turner lived in hiding for many years after his so-called death in 1851 and left many unknown masterpieces.

Mr. Pickles kept his hobby to himself during his lifetime. The strange story was revealed recently in the will left by the schoolmaster, who died last April at over 80 years of age. It was greeted sceptically by art critics.

Research Work
In his will Pickles wrote he had "for the last 30 years been engaged in continuous research work on one subject only—the whereabouts and occupation of the mysterious and baffling world-known artist Joseph Mallord William Turner."

Declaring that the painter played the part of Jekyll and Hyde from his youth onwards, Pickles said that "his final disappearance in the year 1851, the date of his so-called death, was just in keeping with his previous practice."

"Turner lived to be a very old man," Pickles added, "and his final refuge was in the neighbourhood of Bristol where he had relations and boyhood recollections. At his death he left many fine paintings and innumerable small sketches."

"Pickles said in his will that he bought several such pictures, adding that he could identify them as Turner's and even though they were unnamed."

Rather Suspect
The schoolmaster's son, RAF Group Capt. Kenneth F. Pickles, said his father never gave the family any details of his investigations. A spokesman at the National Gallery said the statements were rather suspect.

In its issue of September 14, the "China Mail" drew the attention of Government to the state of the playgrounds in Kowloon, laying particular emphasis on the misuse of the Cox's Road park.

A visit to the various parks made by a "China Mail" representative revealed that work on the rehabilitation of the Cox's Road playground is near completion, and that some start has been made on the other parks.

The mazy, mazy, and two brand new gates, complete with padlocks, installed. At sundown, the gates are locked, thereby ensuring that the park is not used for any other purpose during the night. A park attendant is on duty during the day, presumably to keep rascals off the grass. At Chatham Road, work has been started on the re-building of the pavilion and fences. The ground has been cleared of rubbish and debris, and a series of large, deserted appearance than formerly.

King George Park
King George V Park, at Jordan Road near the ferry, has every possibility of being restored to its former status of "the poor man's lung" in the not-too-distant future.

Some sort of a start has been made on cleaning the grounds of the park which had been allowed to accumulate through neglect. It is, for some time past, better patrolled by the police who saw to it that the park is not being used as an open air brothel.

Another "poor man's lung," MacPherson grounds at Mong Kok, are, however, still being neglected. Situated in a congested district, these grounds were, once upon a time, very well patronised by the residents in that area, the majority of whom are factory workers both in the park and in the week-ends.

New Blood Pressure Measuring Device

Philadelphia, October 30. The University of Pennsylvania research laboratories has announced development of a blood pressure measuring device designed to lessen the danger of heart failure and shocks to patients in the operating theatre.

The announcement said the new method is seeing rather than listening, and added that it makes it possible for surgeons to institute more swiftly corrective measures which safeguard the life of the patient. Penn officials said the key of the new instrument, which detects incoming shock and falling heart action well in advance, is a recording manometer.

They explained that "a direct hookup of the manometer with the blood stream by way of an artery enables the precise recording of blood pressure in man, beat by beat." The announcement added that "the new method of taking blood pressure make a decided improvement over the old cuff-pressure procedure which involves the use of a tight-wrapping for the arm, an air pumping syringe and a recording device known as a Sphygmomanometer."

Dr. Robert D. Dripps, head of the Department of Anesthesiology

in the University hospital, said the new device when employed in the operating room enables the surgeon to predict those surgical manipulations which can or cannot be tolerated by the patient, and to be governed accordingly. (Associated Press.)

Profit From 'Phone Cables

Manila, October 31. Black marketeers in copper are believed to be exporting stolen copper telephone cable to China. The Public Information Office of the Philippine Army Command announced that telephone lines to its navy transmitter site and to the Army exchange service and army ordinance and storage area has been cut during the past week. Thirteen spans of cable were stolen during the preceding two weeks.

Investigators said that a Philippine Government export ban on scrap copper has made it highly profitable for thieves to cut cable lines, dump gasoline on the paper wrapped wire and retrieve almost pure copper scrap. Most of this scrap is being shipped to China they said. (Associated Press.)

War Material To Come Sooner

Washington, October 30. Informal sources today revealed that the date of the first shipment of military supplies for China has been moved up to early November from the previously intended December date.

The sources said that the second shipment might be moved up to early December, but this was not yet final. An source declared that if the West Coast maritime strike should prevent routine handling, the material might be moved by the United States Navy. The source said the material would be unloaded at Shanghai. (United Press.)

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Paris Mayor Cancels Party

Paris, October 30. The Mayor of Paris, Mr. Pierre de Gaulle, who is the brother of General Charles de Gaulle, cancelled at the last minute a reception which was to have been given at the Paris town hall tonight for United Nations delegates. In a note to the guests, he said the cancellation was due to "the grave events taking place in certain parts of France." This was understood to be a reference to the coal strike.

Leaders of the Government parties and Communists suspected the cancellation as a Gaullist political manoeuvre. The left wing paper, France, called it "a scandal and a provocation."

M. Pierre de Gaulle said that M. Trygve Lie, the United Nations Secretary General, whom he approached before, had told him that he perfectly understood our situation. (Reuter.)

GHOST ORDERS FOR US FIRMS

Washington, October 30. Ghost war production orders are being dispatched to hundreds of industries and factories throughout the United States by the Department of Defense, it was disclosed here today.

These orders are made believe for the time being. But if war should break out they would become hard and call for immediate start in production.

They are in fact notification of what the Government will need at once from manufacturers who get them in the event of another war. This is a sequel to the mobilization day plan which the Munitions Board has been working on for months past—a plan surveying thousands of factories to ascertain their best potential usefulness. (Reuter.)

French Arms Experiments

Paris, October 30. The French Ministry of War announced tonight that "experiments in new arms and ammunition took place on October 28 and 29 at the camp of Salory and at Bourges," about 70 miles south of Orleans.

The Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, the Chief of the Army General Staff, General George Marie-Joseph Reyer, and other generals and army engineers were present.

The Ministry declined to give further explanations of the experiments apart from saying that "nothing of vital importance" was involved. (Reuter.)

MAN DIES AFTER 2ND FLOOR FALL

Chan Tse-suet, aged 39, either jumped or fell from the second floor of No. 35 Jervois Street after 6 a.m. yesterday and was immediately taken to Queen Mary hospital. An hour after admission he died and investigations are being conducted by the CID.

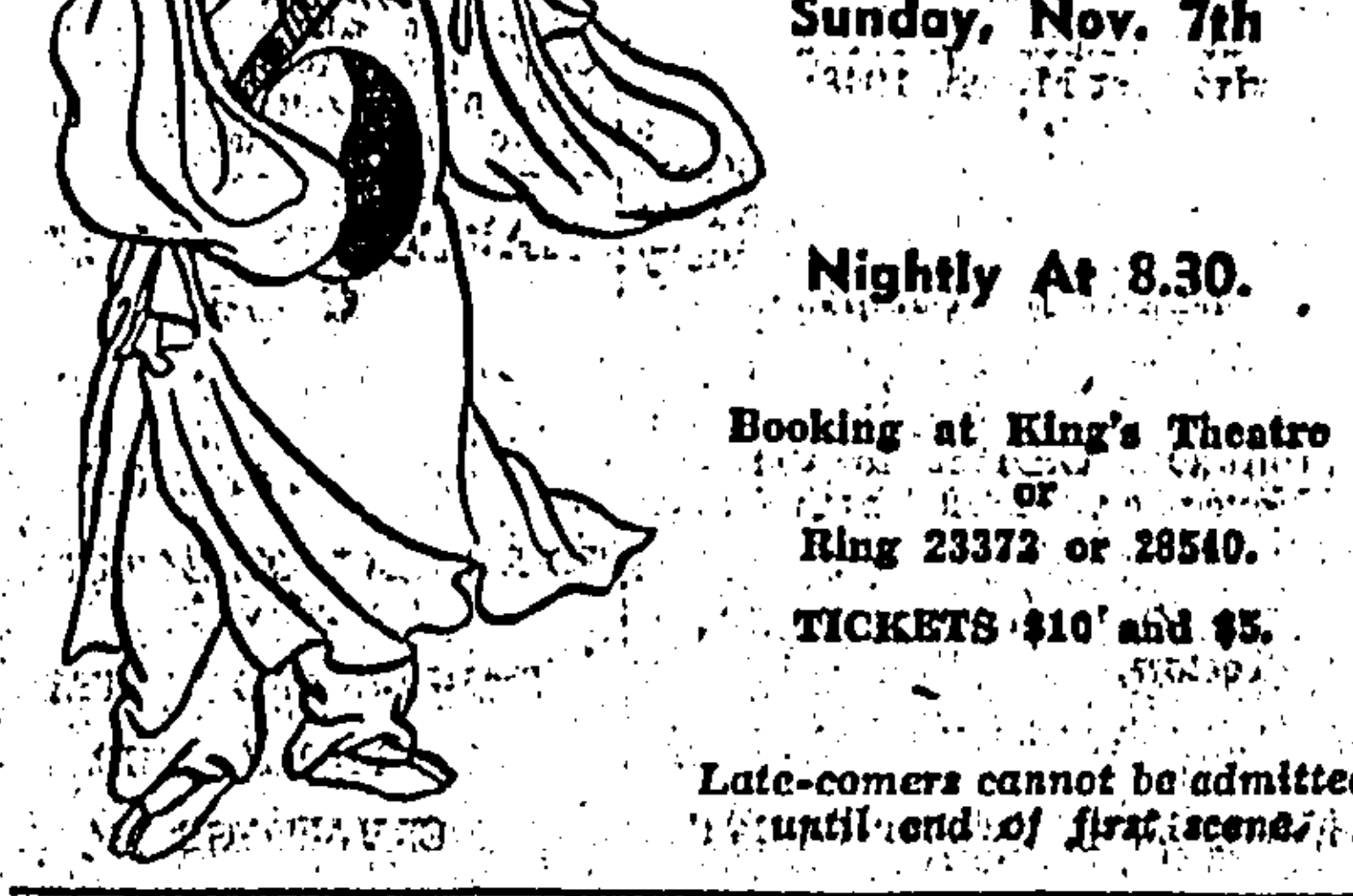
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Sino-British Club Orchestra Opens New Winter Season

The Sino-British Club Symphony Orchestra opened the winter season with a concert of what can be described as Programme Music.

St. Stephen's Girls' College hall was well filled when Dr. Bard entered to take the orchestra through the overture to Rosamunde. Whether the orchestra were nervous or not, is unknown, but they were certainly not happy in this piece of contrasting moods.

There was uncertainty in attack and unevenness of tone in the pianissimo passages. The brass was too heavy for an orchestra so short of strings and in the echoing themes, the wood wind was out of tune. It was only in the fortissimo passages that the orchestra gained confidence which rather made one wish Dr. Bard had defied convention and opened with a march in which the orchestra could have found its musical feet.

The orchestra was altogether happier when the horns gave a very confident opening in the allegro of the water music suite. In fact, the confidence of the horns seemed to spread through the orchestra. I enjoyed the Allegro very much, the playing was confident and the improvement on the opening selection. The "Air" came out delightfully and again the horns were heard to an advantage and my notes read a very "finis." When we reached the horn pipe we again found uncertainty but the conductor brought a very nice passage by the flute, on the other hand the contrast between the tube and the wood wind was too great.

The Soloists

Allegro deciso found a situation where he was neither allegro nor deciso. Margaret Stewart was the soloist in the first half of the programme and her selection of songs showed considerable discrimination.

"Should he Upbraid" was the first selection. I like this very much indeed. The quality of tone was good, especially in the upper register, and the diction was excellent. The programme describes Margaret Stewart as a Contralto yet the strength and quality of tone was revealed in the middle and upper register of the voice.

Mr. Jamson Huang (Lyric Tenor) opened the second half of the programme. Jamson Huang appears to hold the musical world in fee for his selection of songs ranged from "Your tiny hand is frozen," "La Boheme," to "Three Folk Songs from North Western China." There is no doubt that the singer captured the audience with the three folk songs: these were rendered by an artist, then why should Mr. Jamson Huang have "played to the gallery" by giving us "You are My Heart's Delight" as an encore?

The orchestra then took over the programme with a march by Saint-Saens from the Suite Algerienne. This would have been

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Existing tickets may also be renewed at Queen's Building, Connaught Road Entrance, near Star Ferry, on the 28th, 29th and 30th October and 1st November.

V. WALKER, Acting General Manager.

October 25, 1948.

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Saturday, 6th November, 1948

Owing to the large number of entries for the "Ping Chau Handicap" the Stewards have decided to run the race in two sections. The second section will be race 1A and run at 1.30 p.m. The first bell will be rung at 1.00 p.m.

There will be no cash sweep on this race.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP, Actg. Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirtieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders in the abovenamed Company will be held at 601/600 Marina House, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the 2nd November, 1948, at 12 noon for the following purposes.

To receive and consider the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1948; to confirm the appointment of a Director and to elect a Director; to elect Auditors and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 20th October to the 2nd November, 1948 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. A. WATTIE & CO., LTD., Secretaries.

Hong Kong, October 12, 1948.

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Barbara Wants To Crash Into Boxing

London, October 30.

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Two aspects of Barbara's ambition disturb the Boxing Board. First is the question of public reaction, and the belief that a conservative country would condemn the appearance of girls in such a rough-and-tumble sport. The second is the old problem of framing rules and designing protective devices to prevent permanent injury to girls who slug each other.

"Any fight between women with which I would have anything to do would have to be a pretty-lady-like exhibition," said Wally May, veteran trainer at the gymnasium who has supervised the condition of such fighters as Len Harvey, Jock McAvoy and Jack London.

Protection

"But maybe it can be done," said Wally. "As to protective devices, the movie industry did some pioneering for us. When we were looking around for some gadget to protect Barbara's breasts we found that the 'falsies' worn by the movie stars almost fill the bill. We had to stiffen them a bit, and now we are experimenting."

The rules would have to be changed to suit girls, said Len Smith, amateur bantamweight who trains Barbara. Short fights, big gloves and a new code of four blows might overcome some of the old objections to girls in the ring, he believes.

"A bloody nose now and then would not hurt them," he said. Mickey Wood, gymnasium boss, said Barbara, daughter of a shop keeper and shorthand typist, is something new in his long experience.

"She is a girl who really likes to fight, and we just cannot keep her out of the gymnasium," he said. "She would crawl in through the window if we shut the door. She wore us down, and so we have decided to give her the best of our professional skill. She is in prime physical shape."

MCC Score 152 Runs For 3 Wickets

Capetown, October 30.

A fighting innings of 57 not out by the Gloucestershire cricketer, Jack Crapp, helped to extricate the MCC from an unhappy position after Hon. and Washbrook had been dismissed for 38 runs when the tourists opened their first innings against Western Province here today.

In the two hours and 40 minutes play possible following the overnight and morning rain, the M.C.C. at the close of the second day's play had made 152 for three wickets. The Western Province had declared at their overnight score of 386 for four wickets. The M.C.C. were thus 234 runs behind with seven wickets to fall.

The M.C.C. batting failures following Friday's moderate bowling has left them in a dangerous position for the new ball will be available after five overs on Monday morning.

The pitch which had been covered by rain, but Hutton (17), Washbrook (19) and Compton (34) were all caught behind the wicket attempting cuts and chops off short wildish balls, which could have been left alone.

Hutton and Compton were taken by the wicket-keeper and Washbrook's second slip. After Compton's dismissal Mann and Crapp came together and carefully played out time. Mann was 23 not out. —Reuter.

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"Why not, if all the proper precautions are taken?" asks Barbara. "Girls are in most sports and should do as well in boxing. I have just got to convince the Boxing Board that it's safe, and anyway, I am not afraid of getting hurt."

At seven stone, which is 98 pounds, Barbara probably is a flyweight. But there are no standards about girls. Among other things, Barbara wants the Boxing Board to decide what is a feminine flyweight. —Associated Press.

Schoolboys' Soccer Season Starts

The majority of Hong Kong's soccer fields presented animated scenes yesterday, when the curtain went up on the 1948/49 School Football Season.

A total of nine games were played and although the standard of play was not exceptionally high, the youngsters showed that they were keen—a feature which augurs well for the future. Good humoured barracking by hundreds of school boys who lined the four sides of the field was taken in the proper spirit by players who, unlike many of their elders, continued playing the game.

The following are the results of yesterday's games:—

Senior Division

Ying Wah O.T. Talook Doce School 1

Ying Wah 2 Ellis Kadoborie 3.

Wah Yan 2 Yau Mat 0.

Junior Division (Hong Kong)

St. Joseph's 3 Wah Yan 0.

Ellis Kadoborie (AM) 1 Queen's 2.

Anglo-Chinese (AM) 1 Wanhai (PM) 0.

Wah Yan (AM) 5 Ellis Kadoborie (PM) 0.

Anglo-Chinese (PM) 0 Govt. Yarmatun School 0.

Junior Division (Kowloon)

Yau Mat 0 Ying Wah 1.

Results of yesterday's tennis games played at the Ladies' Recreation Club:—

Celony Mixed Doubles

Mr. R. Segalen and Mrs. Slater beat Mr. C. Segalen and Mrs. Stroobach 12-10, 7-5.

Men's Inter-Hong Doubles

Mr. Dow and Mr. Read (Gibb Livingston) beat Mr. Hibberd and Mr. Shewan (HK Bank) 6-3, 8-6.

Mixed Doubles (handicap)

Mr. Dow and Mrs. Black beat Mr. and Mrs. Watson 6-2, 1-6, 6-1.

Mr. Morrell and Mrs. Campbell beat Dr. and Mrs. Smart 6-2, 6-8, 6-4.

Today's Programme

Ladies' Handicap Doubles

Mrs. Dunnnett and Mrs. Campbell v Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Black 0-25 a.m.

Colonial Mixed Doubles

Mr. Tsui Wan-pui and Mrs. Litton v Mr. Ho Ka-lau and Mrs. Lee 8.15 p.m.

Mr. Tsui Wan-pui and Miss Kent v Mr. J.B. Hawthorn and Mrs. Kite 10.0

Men's Singles

Dr. Smart v Mr. Alexander 5.15 p.m.

CRC Tennis Programme

The following games in the Colony Harcourt Tennis Championships are to be played at the C.R.C.:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1 (At 5 p.m. sharp)

J.D. Mackie v Wong Shiu-wing

R. Segalen v Nick Wong

Dr. Lo v T.E. Baker

Turner-Cook v Dr. Cheung King

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 (At 5 p.m. sharp)

G. Kotelawall and G. Cheo v J.J. Remedios and W.A. Reed

Tsui Wan-pui and Tsui Wan-pui v Tsui Wan-pui and Tsui Wan-pui

William Wu v Tsui Wan-pui

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 (At 5 p.m. sharp)

Boh Liang and Kwok Hing-chung v Lee

Wai-long and Sato Bick

Ho Ka-lau and E.A. Tunnah v Au Kam-sun and Chey Ping-fan

R. Segalen and H.A. Arne v William Wu and A. Fung

Donk Chan and Turner-Cook v Wong Black and Lee Shiu-ling

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4 (At 5 p.m. sharp)

Ellis Kadoborie v Northcote 5 p.m.

St. Joseph's v Queen's Red 6 p.m.

Fong Lam v YMCA School 8 p.m.

St. Paul's v Shin Chung 9 p.m.

All the above games will be played on the South China A.A. Ground at Caroline Hill.

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GREECE MAY PRODUCE "SUPER-PARTY" GOVT

UN TO AID ARAB REFUGEES

Paris, October 30. The raising of a US\$30,000,000 United Nations fund to rescue half a million Palestinian Arab refugees will be studied in detail next week by a sub-committee appointed by the General Assembly's Humanitarian Committee meeting in Paris today.

Belgium, the United States, Belgium and the Netherlands urged that immediate aid must be given to the Arab refugees and proposed that the fund be raised by voluntary contributions from members of the United Nations.

Several countries, including the Soviet Union, France and the South American states, expressed doubts about the methods of raising the fund.

Dr. Alexei Pavlov, the Soviet delegate, said the refugees are victims of imperialist policy and of the oil interests. He said there is a deliberate effort to overthrow the fundamental political problem of Palestine with humanitarian considerations.

The Netherlands delegate, Mrs. Hilda Verwey-Jonker, said the fund is intended solely as an emergency measure to help the half million refugees from December 1 until August 31 next year.

The following countries were nominated members of the sub-committee: Belgium, Bolivia, China, Cuba, Egypt, France, India, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, the Soviet Union, Britain, the United States and Venezuela. —Reuter.

LITTLE HOPE FOR BERLIN PRELATE

Berlin, October 30. The condition of Cardinal Konrad Von Preysing, Catholic Bishop of Berlin, was described as "critical" this morning. "There is very little hope," it was stated at the hospital where he had been lying since he suffered from a stroke last Saturday. —Reuter.

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4.45 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
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5.15 p.m.—News Weather Report — Announcements.
5.25 p.m.—Interlude.
5.30 p.m.—The Richard Tauber Programme with the Melba Orchestra and Guest, Irene Ambros.
5.45 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.05 p.m.—Jazz Session.
6.30 p.m.—Portuguese Half Hour (Studio).
6.45 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
7.00 p.m.—Carson Robinson and His Platters.
7.15 p.m.—Hospital Request Half Hour Presented by Linda Carter (Studio).
8.00 p.m.—"From the Editor's" (London Relay).
8.15 p.m.—A Programme of Dances.
8.30 p.m.—"I Like What I Like" Presented by David Pizarro Williams (Studio).
9.00 p.m.—Violin Recital by Jascha Heifetz.
9.15 p.m.—Linda Carter Talks on Films (Studio).
9.30 p.m.—London's Playhouse "Quiet Week-End".
10.00 p.m.—Radio News Rev. (London Relay).
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.30 p.m.—Selections from Puccini's "Turk in China".
10.45 p.m.—Fred Hartley and His Music (DUETS).
11.00 p.m.—Dances to Benny Goodman and His Orchestra.
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

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Athens, October 30. The Greek Coalition Government, whose survival hangs in the balance, today proclaimed a "state of siege" throughout the country and handed over maintenance of public order to the Army. Political and diplomatic quarters suggested that General Alexander Papagos, the King's Chamberlain and former Army Commander in Chief, might take over as "extra-Parliamentary" Premier and that the Greek Parliament would go into recess for some months.

General Papagos, these circles said, could then revise the spirit of the Army in readiness for a drive early next year against the Markos guerrillas.

Extraordinary military courts have been set up in Greece and a curfew has been imposed. Liberal Deputies will meet tomorrow to consider the proposal of M. Themistokles Venzelas, former Vice Premier and Deputy Liberal leader, to end the 13-months old Liberal-Communist Coalition.

This meeting may well decide the Government's fate, for if the majority support the Venzelas proposal, the Liberal Premier, M. Themistokles Venzelas—who said today, "I will not desert my post of my own accord"—will probably be forced to resign.

May Call Leader

The Populists, the largest party in Parliament with 113 of the 251 seats, are now considering calling their leader, M. Constantinos Tsamiralis, from the United Nations General Assembly in Paris.

A crisis may be averted by a simple reshuffle of the present Cabinet if M. Venzelas and his followers withdraw, but this is generally admitted, would be only a provisional solution until the result of the United States Presidential election was known and until the United Nations debate on Greece was finished.

M. Sophoulis declared tonight in a Cabinet crisis was "unavoidable." Political quarters believed that he may submit his resignation at any time in the next 48 hours.

M. Venzelas called on King Paul tonight to press the need for a "super party" Government instead of the present Liberal-Communist Coalition.

Pick The Best

It was reported that M. Venzelas and his friends had already signed a declaration withdrawing their confidence

Prize Money For RN, RAF

London, October 30. Details of provisions for payment and distribution of prize money from the sale of captured enemy vessels and cargo during the war was contained in a Prize Bill, the text of which was published today.

The bill, which was presented to the House of Commons yesterday, contains a clause abolishing prize money in future and authorises the setting up of two separate prize funds—one for the Royal Navy and one for the Royal Air Force.

The Royal Air Force will receive £1,250,000, which will be used "for the benefit of persons who are, or have been, members of any of His Majesty's Air Forces."

Provision is also made for payment out of the Supreme Court Prize Fund Deposit Account to Dominion countries, including India, Pakistan and Ceylon. The two separate funds will be under the control of the Admiralty and the Air Council respectively. —Reuter.

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Siam Expects To Meet Rice Quota

Bangkok, October 30. Certain now that they can deliver a 1948 export goal of 700,000 tons of rice to the world market, Siam's agricultural officials predict that rice exports in 1949 will top 1,000,000 tons.

September shipments brought the total so far for 1948 to 507,044 tons. Another 70,000 to 75,000 tons is expected for this month.

Ministry of Agriculture officials said they were confident the kingdom would ship not only the 700,000 tons promised for 1948, but also 18,000 tons by which Siam fell short of last year's export target.

If the year's commitment is filled, it will be the first time since the war Siam has made

At least 100 people were known to be dead and nine were injured in a fire which destroyed a four-story block of flats here early today.

The police estimated that about 100 people escaped in their sleeping attire.

The cause of the fire was unknown. —Reuter.

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Three Movies Motionless

London, October 30. Pickets paraded in front of J. Arthur Rank's Denham studios today after 1,700 workers struck as a protest against the dismissal of 92 employees as redundant.

The film unions contended that instead of firing the people, the studio ought to increase the staff in the interests of efficiency.

If the strike continues beyond the weekend, it will affect production of three films. Volunteers will continue the maintenance work at the studio during the strike and will look after assorted livestock used in the pictures. —United Press.

SOVIET ZONE "SHADOW ARMY"

Berlin, October 30. A report that 4,500 "police troops" are now undergoing intensive training in a single training camp in the Soviet

zone province of Thuringia is the latest in a long series of reports in Berlin describing the building up of a "shadow army" in the Soviet Zone.

The belief is widespread in Germany that the Russians are speeding up the development of an armed organisation of at least 400,000 men which, in the event of a withdrawal of Russian occupation troops, would be the Soviet Government's instrument for enforcing Soviet policies on the population and would give support to the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party.

Recruiting of police for the new force was reported to be going on intensively throughout Thuringia. Candidates are sought between the ages of 17 and 35. Recruiting inducements held out include food, ten cigarettes a day, free uniform and "freedom from winter hardship."

Young men under a political cloud for previous charges of Nazism are accepted as candidates, but are first required to serve three months' probationary period in a railway police unit. If they complete this successfully, the reports say, they are admitted at once. —Reuter.

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Atomic Power Not Here To Stay Yet

London, October 30. An American scientist expressed doubt today that the atomic age is a certainty, and predicted it would be at least 50 years before the commercial use of atomic energy.

Addressing a meeting of the Atomic Scientists' Association, Professor M. H. L. Pryce, member of the wartime atomic team, said that in the atomic age—"if it ever comes atomic power would not be cheaper than electricity now obtained from coal."

If nuclear fuel is limited to uranium, he added, the situation is not optimistic because "if one tried to run an appreciable part of the world's economy on nuclear energy it is likely that uranium would run out in a few years, or even a few months."

He expressed the opinion that it is most likely that atomic energy, if ever used, would be used in remote regions where it would be less dangerous to the community.

Prof. P.M.S. Blackett, wartime scientific adviser to the Admiralty and a distinguished physicist, urged the international audience to "do all we can to protect the present stockpile of bombs in America." Blackett, author of a book strongly critical of America's atomic policy, said the uncertainties and risks are so great that "it must be a counsel of complete despair to encourage preventive war in the present situation."

He urged compromise between the East and the West. "Sooner or later," he declared, "we have got to make some such move towards world government." —United Press.

New Economic Measures Still Kept Secret

Shanghai, October 31. Major General Chiang Ching-kuo, Deputy Economic Supervisor, hurried back to Nanking last evening for another emergency meeting on proposed new economic measures.

Young Chiang, President Chiang Kai-shek's eldest son, had spent less than a day here before returning to the capital. He was accompanied by Dr. S.Y. Liu, Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of China.

Nothing could be learned from Chiang on the new economic measures during his brief stay here. Spokesmen said, however, that final touches were being made to the revised economic control programme. He said young Chiang was summoned by Premier Wang Wen-hao.

Meanwhile the Central Bank of China remained open today—Sunday—to facilitate last minute conversions of gold and foreign currencies into gold yuan. The deadline is 1700 hours today.

From then on, no one is supposed to have gold or foreign currencies in their possession. If they are caught and convicted they are liable to long prison terms and even death.

Police said that a special organised gold and foreign currency search party will go into action tomorrow. Rewards totalling 40 per cent of the gold and foreign currencies confiscated will be given to informers.

At the same time black market transactions continued unabated. Latest quotations gave holders of United States money 12 to 15 gold yuan for US\$1.00. —Associated Press.

Burma Rebels' Morning Attack

Rangoon, October 30. An early morning rebel attack on a police outpost at Hittakkyan, 20 miles North of Rangoon on the road to Prome, is reported in today's military communiqué.

Three hundred rebels attacked the outpost which is defended by Union Military policemen on one hour.

The battle resulted in the rebels fleeing up the Prome road. In Thapayon district Communists attacked the rice centre of Dayday from the opposite bank of the river, the communiqué stated. They fled when Government troops returned their fire. —Associated Press.

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KOREA A CLUE TO BERLIN

So much has been happening in Europe that we have had little time to look to events nearer Hong Kong on the international plane. Yet study of recent events in Korea may give some clue to what lies behind the Berlin crisis.

What has been happening in Korea, with its 24 million inhabitants, jutting into the sea between China and Japan? Like Germany, it is divided into a Soviet zone and free zone, though, in the case of Korea, the free zone is occupied solely by American troops.

At the Moscow conference of 1945, three points were decided as the basis for future settlement. The country should be reunited in one economic unit; a provisional Korean government should be set up; there should be trusteeship by the four Powers, but for no longer than five years.

Every Korean party except the Communists protested against the third point. They had an ancient civilisation. They had, they claimed, ruled themselves for 40 centuries, and they had no need of, or use for, "Four-Power trusteeship."

That was enough for the Soviets; they immediately said that any party rejecting the Moscow proposals was not "democratic" and should not be allowed to vote for the new Korean government. Working on these lines, backed by the normal police terror, the Communist single list of candidates in their zone got 99.2 per cent of the votes. That would not have been bad for a pre-war Nazi plebiscite. Naturally, the Americans would not accept any such racket in the area they control. So the country remains split, in spite of repeated proposals and efforts to find some agreement.

Most interesting is the question of the 200,000 troops the Soviets poured into Korea a few days before Japan's surrender. For now they are pressing their insistence that all foreign forces, Russian and American, should leave the country. Sure of their own grip on the Northern sector, they can afford to make the gesture. They have created a local "People's Army" to take the place of the Russian soldiers and have set up a Communist-dominated "Democratic People's Republic" on the standard satellite pattern.

MAY 1—Rain. (Depression days, commander's worries! I start them off for Myitkyina, it rains. The resistance grows here. Why didn't I use them on our front? Is the gap too big? Will they meet the reinforced garrison [at Myitkyina]? Does it mean we'll fall on both sides, instead of only one? Can I get them out? Are the Japs being sucked towards Mogoke or is the new [Jap] unit staying in Mitche? Etc., etc., and nothing can be done about it. This die is cast, and it's sink or swim. But the nervous wear and tear is terrible. Pity the poor commanding officer.)

UNDATED—**PSYCHOLOGY OF COMMAND**—A good commander is a man of high character; this is the most important attribute, with power of decision next most important attribute. He must have moral backbone, and this stems from high character; and he must be physically courageous, or successfully courageous, the fact that he is not. He must know the tools of his trade, tactics and logistics. He must be impartial. He must be calm under stress. He must reward promptly and punish justly. He must be accessible, human, humble, patient, forbearing. He should listen to advice, make his own decision, and carry it out with energy.

Unless a commander is human, he cannot understand the reactions of his men. If he is human, the pressure on him intensifies tremendously. The callous man has no mercy. He cannot understand the lives of 10,000 men, the human commander cannot avoid this struggle. It is constant and wearing, and yet necessary, for the men can sense the commander's difficulty. There are many ways in which he can show his interest in them and they respond, once they believe it is real. Then you get mutual confidence, the basis of real discipline.

Generals get sharply criticised. They are the birds who shelter themselves in dugouts and send the soldiers out to get killed. They cover themselves with medals, at the expense of the lives of their men, who are thrown in regardless, to compensate for faulty or poorly thought-out plans.

There are really not many [generals] like that. The average general envies the luck paid and vate; when things go wrong, the private can blame the general, the general can blame only himself. The private carries the woes of one man; the general carries the woes of all. He is conscious of his ways of the responsibility on his shoulders, of the relatives and of the lives of his men, and of men entrusted to his care, and of men who face those fathers and mothers without shame or remorse. How can he do this? By constant care, by meticulous thought and preparation, by worry, by insistence on high standards in everything, by reward and punishment, by impartiality, by an example of calm and confidence. It all adds up to character.

Q4—If a man has enough character to be a good commander, does he ever doubt himself? He should not. In my case, I doubt myself. Therefore I am in all probability not a good commander.

FORMULAE—

Character	80%
Power of decision	10%
Technical knowledge	5%
Everything else	5%

MAY 1, LETTER TO MRS. STILLWELL—This is the month when the heavens open and the floods descend and the fields become lakes and the roads disappear and there is hell to pay generally. I hope the Japs are as tired of it as we are. If the little bastards insist on fighting during the rains, I don't know what I'll do, but there are indications that they have been cowed up here and there, so maybe they won't be so ambitious this time. The "dry season" in this country is a joke, anyway. We have had rain in December, 12 days in January, 18 in February, 10 in March, 10 in April, and now it's really going to rain. From now till fall we'll be in the Navy. Did I tell you this one? I was crossing a river in a motor boat and the coloured soldier running the boat looked me over and shook his head sadly. Said he: "It sure is tough to make an old man like you come up and work in this country!" I occasionally overhear similar remarks by the Chinese soldiers. I think I am about ninety years old and comment on their own senior officers.

MAY 2—Another cloudy day. We sat and gloomed. The 22nd Division has had 37 company officers killed. Can't you see the 22nd Division under the circumstances and can't help them. It's hell. Joe up for supper and checkers. Christ but I feel helpless.

MAY 4—Louis's latest is proposal to withdraw [Jap] force so as to leave planes, presumably to use in Imphal. Back at 3:00. Lino is now making all the known excuses for not moving. He and Sun have been hobnobbing for three days. He's going to lie down and dig in.

MAY 5—Lino in at 1:30. Long talk. He is affected by losses, particularly company officers.

MAY 6—**LETTER TO MRS. STILLWELL**—Your letters grant me time to remember that everything is not double-crossing, obstruction, and stupidity. Probably we are getting a bit jumpy; the boys have been plugging for four and a half months and it hasn't been easy. I've just heard we have sent some "war dogs" They

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won't give me any doughboys but they send me some dogs. It will be difficult to get them educated on the different smells of American—black and white—Chinese, Kachins, Nagas, Indians, Caros, Dailings, Burmese and Japs. The British course don't smell—they tub regularly. By God, the longer I live the more I appreciate George Washington and the boys of the Revolution. Raining again. We have this constant threat of the monsoon hanging over us.

MAY 8—Shoved off at 11:30. Picked up Sun [Li-jen] at 38th [Division] command post and went up to 13th [Regiment]. Hot. 130 to 330 like up to 14th Command Post near Nawmaw. Damp. Hips 2,000 [feet high]. Damp. Near killed me. All out of shape. No wind, no legs. Swore off smoking then and there. Felt like an old man when I staggered in. Li [regimental] command post there. Went over the dopes and then we overhauled at 14th [Regiment]. Sun went back—too much for him.

MAY 9—Li went up to battalion command post. I let him go to give him [a] chance to push the boys after I had crated at for haste. Told him to get going. Period. We left at 1:00 down 1,500 feet to river, then up 1,000 feet to command post. The god-dam shoes were killing my feet. Skin off toes. No others with me. Pretty dumb. Fell up the hill and into command post exhausted. Again told them what I wanted. Japs fired artillery all night long, all over the lot.

MAY 10—Lay around all morning waiting for news of [Jap] attack on Hkamti. Third company going to Samlun and we left flank. First company straight up. (They did and lost a platoon commander and six casualties from fire from flank.) About 1:30 Li [regimental commander] went to see Peng [battalion commander] horrified. I should go too. Too much loss of face. Told them to fight or I would go and stand in the trail up front. This makes them move, and is the only thing that does. Down the hill to regimental command post and spent the night there. Chinese troops staggering uphill as we came down. All cheerful, they deserve better company officers.

MAY 12—Yoke jumped off yesterday—maybe.

MAY 14—Hunter expected to give us the 48-hour signal to roll in and swing on 'em. [The Marauders' column was to preserve radio silence all the way through the jungle till they judged themselves within forty-eight hours' march of Myitkyina. Then they were to make in by "prayerful" code, so that the air force could alert its units for the troop carrier movement to the airstrip when it should have been seized.] 48 Hour Notice.

MAY 15—(2:00 p.m.) 24 HOUR NOTICE! Old here. All set for moves to Mitche. Took a walk. Hunter [at Myitkyina] set by night of 10th. Hiding out till 17th or 18th.

MAY 17—Clear. By God a break. Got commanding officer of 140th [Regiment] up and told him about the job, except destination [Myitkyina]. At 10:50 message "in the ring" came in. That meant—"at the field."

Old flew over [Myitkyina] at 12:00 and saw nothing. Hunter getting in place, probably. We'll just have to sweat it out. Merrill in at 2:50. Had been over field [which was clear [of Japs]]. He saw trench mortar fire well to North East. About 3:30 we got "Merchant of Venice" i.e., "No more can land." WHOOPS! Enormous relief to get Merrill's report. At once ordered machinery and reinforcements started. About 3:30 two transports landed. At 4:00 we saw transports and gliders going over. Thereafter, a stream of planes both ways. Told them to

keep going all night. We may have 80th [Regiment] in by morning—WILL THIS BURN UP THE LIMES.

Monsoon coming in on South Burma now. Myitkyina due [for monsoon] June 1.

MAY 16—Not much sleep. Ants and worry. 8:30 Theissen took us into Myitkyina. About twelve correspondents. Heavy clouds. We let down and got in to bed. O.K. about 10:00, 80th [Regiment] coming in. 150th had not started attack. First Battalion [of] Galahad [Marauders] had gone to the Zigon ferry. No Jap reaction, Japs not yet located. Planes bombing the town. Shoved off at 1:00 and came back around the Mogoke corner. Got an L-1 and flew back to Shinduzup.

MAY 19—Flock of visitors continues. Merrill in—he has had another [heart] attack. Colson gave him morphine and put him to bed. Progress terribly slow at Mitche. I am worried about the Jap reaction. 150th [Regiment] moved this a.m. and overran two Jap positions. A Jap group up by North field has not moved. Counterattack last night at Zigon ferry.

MAY 20—Last night Sun [Li-jen] in with plan to take Kamaing. O.K. by me. I kidded him along and then agreed. Anything to get the 38th [Division] moving. If we get to Kamaing, we tell the Limes to go to hell.

Merrill passed by medics. I let him go back—they [the Marauders] are to finish the job [at Myitkyina]. One hundred fiftieth [Regiment] has command post in [Myitkyina] railroad station. Japs backed into bazaar section. They are now local and we are reasonably sure of the place. Japs apparently all in confusion and trying to pull out, Chinese casualties heavy.

Within a week, the success at Myitkyina had transformed the [Jap] situation from a bleak, heart-breaking campaign.

The 150th Chinese Regiment, which was the first flown in to consolidate, had but lately arrived from China and was unaccustomed to war. In their first action, several of its battalions mistook each other for Japanese and succeeded in inflicting disastrous casualties on themselves before recognition was achieved. Panic spread. Before the troops at Myitkyina could be pulled together the Japanese had had time to bring in all their outpost garrisons from the field, to rush supplies and reinforcements from the South and dig in for desperate resistance.

The Japanese force, variously estimated at from five to seven thousand men, decided to make an individual pocket had to be dug out in intensive fighting. Two full months dragged by while their stronghold was being reduced. Two American commanders were relieved. The Marauders, exhausted from their previous four months of fighting, were decimated with disease. The rains poured down, the battle area became a quagmire. It was impossible to withdraw from the struggle through the jungle without disaster.

Although this was a period not unmarked with success—for the Chinese had captured Kamaing and gone on to Mogoke beyond—it was a period of bitterness and worry for Stilwell.

Not till the end of July was the decision sure; and by then Stilwell was more than willing to leave the jungle and fly to Ceylon. Lord Louis Mountbatten, the South East Asia Command was called to London. Stilwell as deputy of the command was ordered to SEAC headquarters at Kandy in Ceylon to watch affairs from the Commander's chair.

MAY 21—Six p.m. Cannon in from Mitche. BAD NEWS. Panic in 150th [Regiment]; they ran away and had to be taken out. Went goes on at Mitche. A bad day mentally. Good deal of

Myitkyina field closed to C-47 [troop carrier planes]. Sent [Bridgman General Hayden] Boatner in [to Myitkyina] with Hu and P'an. Boatner back at 7:00, matters fairly satisfactory. Attack on 25th, tomorrow to get lined up.

MAY 25—Disturbing news from Mitche. McCammon gloomy. Decided to go down. Rain, in at Mitche, O.K., runway very wet. Get the dopes on the attack. All night fired all along the line, very little sleep. Rain.

MAY 27—Rain again, discouraging. No air support. Worry-worry-worry. Off at 9:30 [back to Shinduzup].

MAY 28—**CLEAR!** Thank God, got the engineers in yesterday and the air will start on Galahad replacements today. One more day and we are set—Christ again, will God give me one more day of clear weather? Took a swim with Joe, in the Shadu. Clouding up.

MAY 30—**CLEAR!** Another break. God is good (sometimes). Today we move 42nd [Regiment] into Myitkyina by air and begin on fillers [Galahad] from Ramgarh. Decided to take Boatner to Mitche [in] at 5:15.

Just as I left it only not so good; [only] 12 men left in 2nd Battalion of Galahad. Galahad is just shot.

Made general plan for tomorrow, put Boatner in command, he took hold at once.

JUNE 2—**LETTER TO MRS. STILLWELL** The pressure has been on me for a month; worry over the weather, worry over the Myitkyina business, etc. Some of our troubles have ironed out, the break in the weather I had been praying for came at just the right time. (Great is God—Allah il Allah—Wo mi to fu) and now we have a fighting chance. Certain of our allies don't care for the fighting chance. The situation in China looks pretty bad. I believe the Cmo is going to pay dearly for being stupid and stubborn. The Jackass had salvation offered him free, and wouldn't take it. Now it's too late and he's screaming. This is just what I told them a year ago but they knew better. The rains have held off miraculously, but we are about to run into them now.

JUNE 3—Evening word from Boatner. Got bumped yesterday hard—42nd [Regiment] had 240 [casualties]. As expected, 42nd [Regiment] had 80 casualties. Attack stopped.

JUNE 4—Kuo, [of] 38th [Division], in to announce capture of Tumboughka. That's grand. And Lino has told "Fu" to get into Kamaing tomorrow.

Chiang Kai-shek says: "Come up for Christ's sake," so showed off at 4:00. Kumaing at 7:00.

JUNE 5—Up at 5:15, off at 6:30, Chungking at 8:00. Date with Chiang at 9:00. As expected, chiding gasoline for the Fourteenth Air Force. All he wants is the world and nothing in return.

Chiang much surprised over North Burma success.

JUNE 6—Off at 11:00, Kumaing at 2:00, saw Chennault and his staff and told them what would be done. Off again at 3:00—Ting-kaw [Shinduzup] at 7:15 Indian time, hot and humid. Joe up and played accordion till midnight.

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French Conflict Moves From Pits To Docks

SIGNS OF STEEL WORKERS FOLLOWING MINERS' EXAMPLE

Paris, October 30.

Troops were called out to unload coal cargoes at two French ports today when stevedores held fast to their almost solid "no foreign coal" strike in sympathy with the 27-day old stoppage in the mines, where a growing "back to work" movement was announced by the Ministry of the Interior.

In the North and South coalfields, security forces, already holding 75 per cent of the mines, moved in to take over the remainder. First reports said they met no resistance.

It was clear to observers in the French capital tonight that the Government had in effect won the trial of strength with the Communist Party was now being waged in the pits. Many ships with coal cargoes for France were being diverted to Antwerp because the great majority of dockers were maintaining their refusal to unload coal.

It was reported tonight from Lille in the heart of the Northern coalfield that coal unloaded at Antwerp was being sent by rail to Dunkirk, on the French side of the frontier, at the rate of 1,500 tons a day.

Most Pits Clear

A large proportion was kept there for the State-run railways reserve stocks and the remainder transferred to Dunkirk. A French Ministry of the Interior spokesman said tonight that 80 per cent of all the coal pits had been cleared of strike pickets and were now in the hands of Government forces.

Troops and police were today controlling 50 per cent of the pits in the Nord and Pas de Calais Departments and work had been resumed in many of them.

Police operations throughout today centred around Bruy-en-Artois, where pits were taken over in an atmosphere of complete calm. Miners in the vital Northern "Black Country" were reported to be going back to work in the pits cleared by troops. In Lorraine, the coal basin of Eastern France, the Ministry of the Interior announced that 87 per cent of the pits were back on the job. The spokesman added that 2,500 tons of coal were raised from the Valenciennes group of pits yesterday. Reports reaching the Ministry said that more than 42 per cent of surface workers and 27 per cent of underground workers in the Valenciennes pits were back at work today.

In the different sections of the Loire coalfields, the figures varied from 33 to 71 per cent for underground workers and from 40 to 85 per cent for surface workers. The Communist-led General Labour Confederation (CGT), which is backing the coal stoppage, issued a statement today warning the miners that they would be "deluged with speeches, invitations to capitulate and lies. On Tuesday, you will be united in the strike like one man." (Monday, All Saints Day, is a general holiday in France).

Troops At Rouen

The principal activity on the dockland front was at Rouen, where eight colliers were being discharged by troops, including a detachment of Senegalese soldiers. The ninth vessel was being unloaded by dockers employed by a private company.

It was believed in political circles in Paris tonight that the Communist Party would seek to maintain the strike atmosphere until the reopening of the French National Assembly on November 15, with possible diversions in other directions, notably the steel industry, where there have been recent signs of discontent.

The French news agency reported from Bethune tonight that an arrest warrant had been issued against Paul Caron, the departmental secretary of the Communist-led General Labour Confederation trade unions in the Pas de Calais Department. The agency said Caron had "disappeared" since he was summoned to appear before an examining magistrate eight days ago to reply to an allegation that he used violence against a police agent.

The Ministry of Merchant Marine moved quickly to end a walkout of Marseilles seamen this morning, which held up 5,000 passengers in France's major port. The Ministry said pre-war contracts would be put back into force pending a negotiation of a new agreement. Earlier, the seamen's union had offered to keep safely services going in the port if the shipowners did not carry out a threat to lay up vessels during the strike.

New Front

The Council of the Communist-led Iron and Steel Workers Federation, calling on its 1,000,000 members, tonight sought to fight for higher wages and remain "mobilized against the rising cost of living" opened a new front in the campaign against the Government of M. Henri Queuille, faced the threat of an unexpected

non-Communist offensive against its wage and prices policy before it had finally gained the upper hand over the Communist campaign in the coalfields and ports.

The Iron and Steel Workers Federation resolution declared: "The iron and steel workers will never become the foot soldier of General Marshall (the American Secretary of State). The power of the iron and steel workers will weigh very heavily in imposing a democratic government which France needs."

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Berlin, October 30.

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The strong language used in the resolution was interpreted in Paris as indicating that the Communists intend to carry on their struggle against the Government at all costs, even if the miners' strike should collapse.

The Communist Textile Workers Union also issued an ultimatum tonight to employers for wage increases "at the latest by November 5."

The French Communist Party newspaper, L'Humanité, said today that the famed artist, Pablo Picasso, had contributed 1,000,000 francs to a strike fund organised by the Communist Miners' Federation.

It was reported from Prague today that an estimated 20 million Czech crowns has already been promised in funds being collected in Czechoslovakia to aid the French miners. The largest single contribution promised to date was announced today from the Building Trade Organisation, which said that builders' wages for November 1, estimated to total 10 to 12 million crowns, would go to the French miners.—Reuter.

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Energetic Debating

Rome, October 30.
Communist and Monarchist deputies fought hand-to-hand in the Chamber of Deputies late last night.

After the Monarchist Deputy, Signor Alberto Consiglio, denounced the Communists as "traitors" during a debate on the Ministry of Defence on budget allocation.

Communist deputies rushed in a body across the floor of the Chamber and attacked the Monarchists and it was half an hour before order was restored.—Reuter.

McNeil Does Not Believe

Paris, October 30.

The British Minister of State, Mr. Hector McNeil, answered questions from correspondents over the United Nations Radio today.

Asked whether he believed that the Soviet proposal for a one-third world disarmament is sincere, Mr. McNeil replied: "No, I am sorry to have to admit it. It is just another example of the propaganda moves which we have not used."

"The essence of the business is whether the Russians are willing to have an adequate system of control or not. So far, they have avoided giving a direct answer."

On Mr. Vyshinsky's recent offer to put the Russian cards on the table, Mr. McNeil said: "What did he mean by Russian cards? None of us even knows a Russian card when he sees one. I have no reason to believe that the Russians would ever accept a United Nations inspection."

Asked what he thought of Generalissimo Stalin's recent statement, Mr. McNeil replied: "I think it is just another propaganda trumpet. I think it is an accusation made against us to cover up something which the Russians are actually doing."

"Of course, if Generalissimo Stalin is really in earnest about security agreement, there is a perfectly reasonable and inoffensive resolution on Berlin awaiting him. He can grasp it any time he wants."—Reuter.

BBC CORRESPONDENT VISITS GUERRILLA HQ

London, October 30.

The British Broadcasting Corporation disclosed today that its correspondent, Kenneth Matthews, visited the Greek guerrillas' Peloponnesian headquarters after a week's journey over mountains on mule back during his recent detention for 17 days by the "Free Greek" Government forces.

The BBC said in a broadcast account of his adventures that Mr. Matthews, who was released near Patras on Wednesday, was treated with "great friendliness" by the rebels, who wanted him to see how the Democratic Army lived.

"The guerrillas were so friendly that one chieftain gave the correspondent his Army greatcoat and allowed him to keep it throughout his enforced visit, while another insisted that Matthews should sleep in his bed while the commander himself slept on the floor."

According to the broadcast account, Matthews was arrested on October 11 by a boy with a pistol in an hotel at Mycenae, 50 miles South West of Athens.

At Gun-Point

The boy, who was about 20, forced Mr. Matthews at gun-point to go outside into the road-way to see his chief. The chief, also a young man, said he wanted Mr. Matthews to see how the Democratic Army lived.

The next day, the correspondent was taken on a 10-hour

journey to a rebel brigade headquarters in the mountains. There the commander gave Mr. Matthews his bed. He was permitted to chat with scores of guerrillas, women as well as men.

The next incident in his odyssey was the week's journey on mule back over very difficult country with an armed escort. The party slept in the open or in shepherd's cottages. One night, they lost their way and were without food for 27 hours. The party's political officer took the "greatest care of our correspondent," the BBC said.

On arrival at the rebels' supreme headquarters in the Peloponnese, Mr. Matthews met the Supreme Commander, who was called Stephanos. The correspondent stayed with them for four days, after which a senior rebel officer escorted him across the mountains and turned him over to villagers in the No Man's Land a few miles outside the town of Patras.

There Mr. Matthews got in touch with the Greek police.—Reuter.

New Demand For Withdrawal By West Powers From Berlin

Berlin, October 30.

A new demand for a meeting of the big four Foreign Ministers Council and the withdrawal of the Western Powers from Berlin was made by the Russian-backed Communist People's Council. The so-called "Peace Committee" of the People's Council issued a demand in a formal declaration which also asked for an all Germany peace treaty.

The demand for the withdrawal of the occupation forces was significant since it once again points to the Russian policy of getting all the occupation powers out of Germany. The establishment of a Police Army numbering between 200,000 and 400,000 in the Russian occupation zone has been convincing proof to Western observers that the Soviet Union would support them in a drive to "communist all Germany if the Western allies could be ousted."

The demand that the Western allies get out of Berlin was believed to be the direct result of Generalissimo Stalin's denunciation of the West on Thursday.

The "Peace Committee's" declaration said that the obstructive attitude of the Western Powers in the East-West talks prevented the re-establishment of normal conditions in Berlin.

No Basis

"By this violation, the legal basis for the stay of the Western Powers has been destroyed," it said.

The "Peace Committee" called for all Germans to insist on their legal right and said this could be achieved by the immediate moves by the allies to a peace treaty with an "all German Government on the basis of the Potsdam Agreement."

Although there is no All-German Government, the Peace Committee probably is referring to the People's Council dominated by the Communists. The Council was elected by the People's Congress organised by the Communists to carry out democracy in Germany.

"Therefore the Peace Committee demands the withdrawal of the occupation troops within one year after the signing of the peace treaty," the declaration said.

The refusal of the occupation troops to withdraw after the signing of the peace treaty would be tantamount to an attempted colonial slavery of the German people, the declaration continued.

The declaration was addressed to all Democratic parties and organisations both inside and outside Germany "and especially to the democratic public" in the United States, Britain and France, it asked these bodies to demand their respective Governments "in

the interest of their peoples" to call for an immediate meeting of the Foreign Ministers Council to draft the German peace treaty.

Dismantling Wave

The Russians have started a new wave of factory removals in Eastern Germany which indicates they may be preparing withdrawal of their occupation forces. American Intelligence sources said today.

These sources said the Russians are not only dismantling factories owned by Germans but also plants to which the Soviets themselves hold title.

This indicates, they said, that the Russians may be preparing to leave Germany. This would fit the Soviet declaration announced at the Warsaw conference of Eastern European Foreign Ministers several months ago that all four occupying forces should evacuate.

The American licensed news agency Dena reported the Russians had handed communists in Eastern Germany a list of 205 factories, to be dismantled by June 1, 1949.

Dena said the "secret list" included 102 plants to which the Russians already hold title. These were confiscated for reparations but operated on German soil with German labour and raw materials.

Proof?

The agency said the Russian intention to remove these factories within eight months is supported by informed quarters which added that this is proof that Russians intend to withdraw their occupation forces by the middle of the coming year.

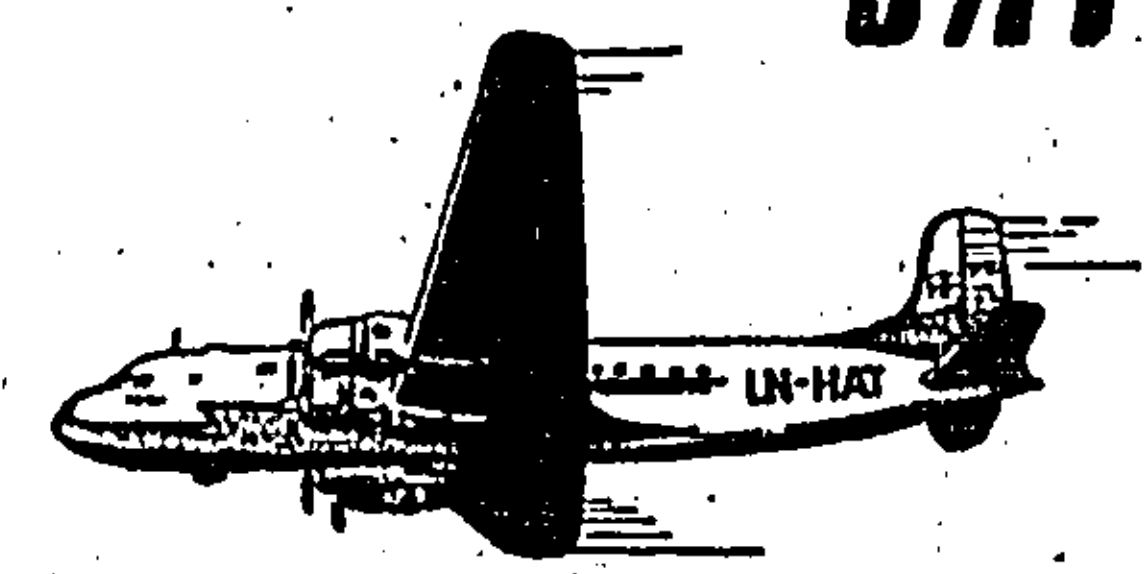
American quarters said they knew that a "new dismantling programme" is underway in the Russian occupation zone.

They said they cannot state the number of factories involved but are convinced the Russians are removing factories to which the Russians have seized title and lumped into their gigantic industrial trust for reparations production. American sources estimate these plants account for at least one third of the remaining industrial production in the Soviet zone.

An American Intelligence official said: "We know the Russians are now removing these Soviet plants. It probably means they are removing what they call their property, preparatory to pulling out of Germany and putting the Western Powers on the spot also to withdraw."

"Whether they intend to clear out by June 1 is anybody's guess, however. By that time they may come up with still another dismantling list. Yet this one may be the last."—United Press and Associated Press.

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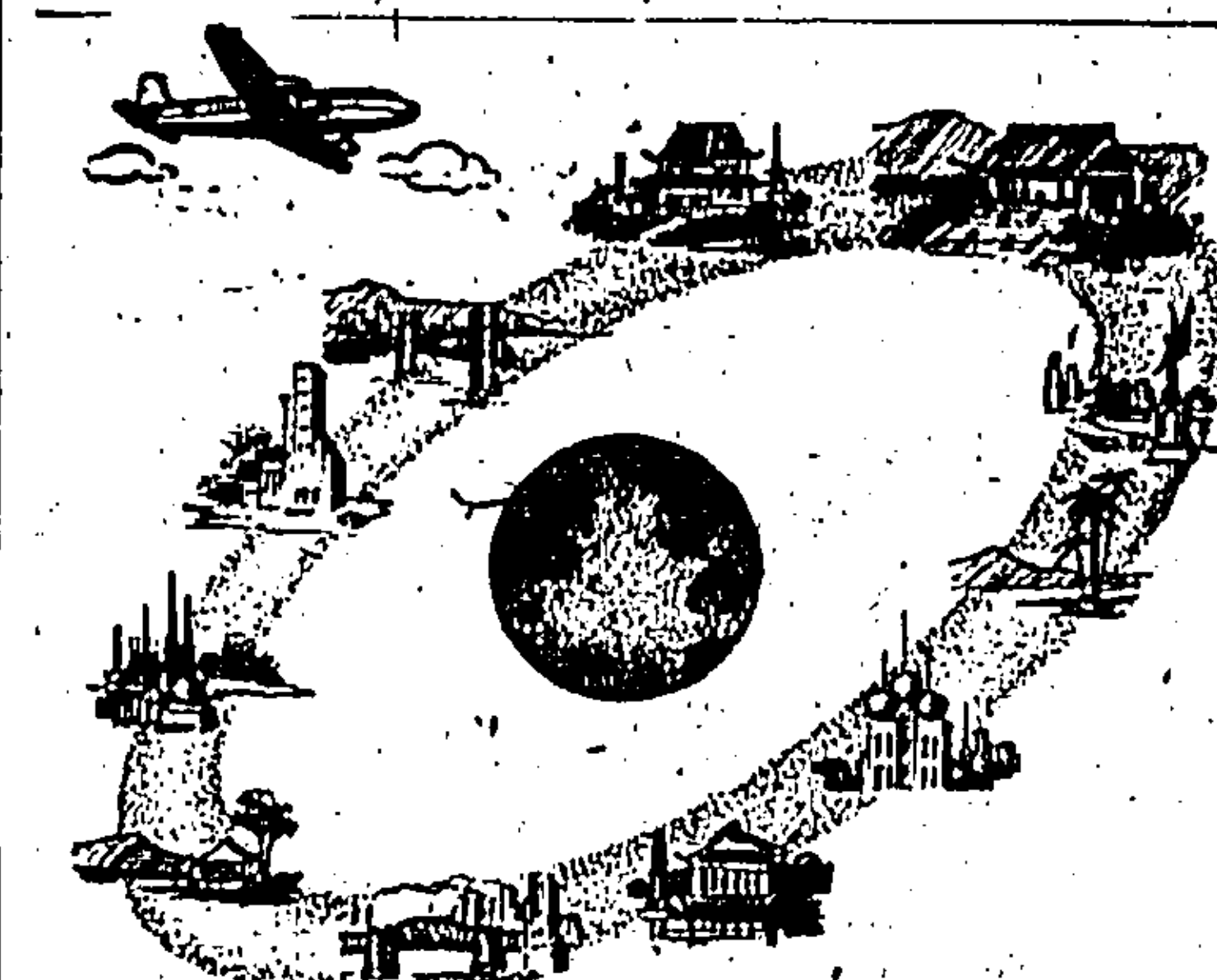
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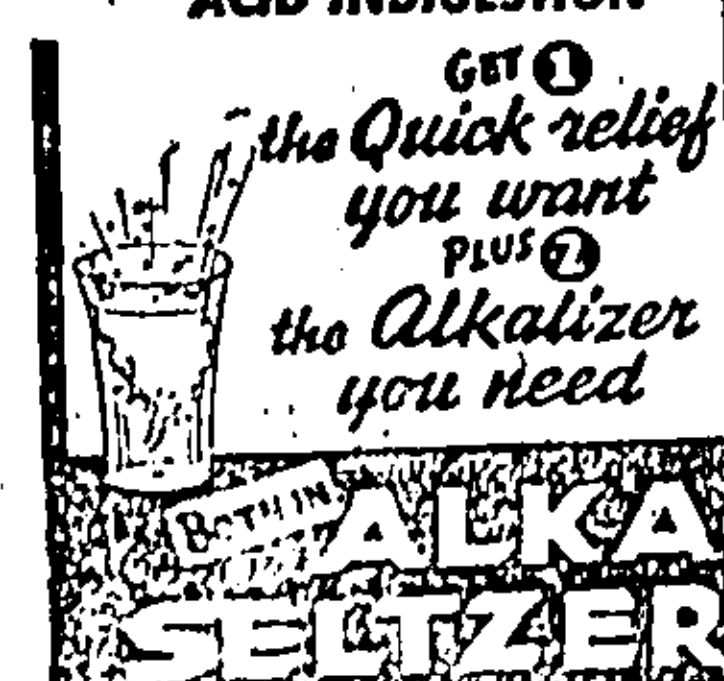
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Medical Supplies Not To Be Had In Shanghai

Shanghai, October 30.

American women in Shanghai are beginning to go home to have their babies. A combination of circumstances beyond the control of the stork make it advisable.

The two main influences in a number of recent prenatal decisions to head for home for the blessed event are the strike of longshoremen on the U.S. West Coast, and the very efficient Yellow Ox gangs in Shanghai who have a corner on drugs and chemicals and cosmetics and other such items.

A mother who brings a new bundle of joy into the world here has no assurance right now that she can get powdered milk, pabulum, talcum or the medicines necessary to a healthy babyhood.

Not only are the Shanghai store shelves bare, but those of the U.S. Army Commissary and Post Exchange have a denuded look. The fresh fruit and vegetable bins have not been filled for many a day. The standard brands of powdered milk and the other ingredients that go into the formula for a baby's bottle are among the missing.

The oils, powders, drugs and other little things that make Junior's baby days happy are gone from the drug store shelves. Fresh milk that's safe enough to drink, is another item that's short. The milk sold to Army personnel and the small band of other Americans who share the PX-privilege, is shipped from the states frozen. It must be re-processed before it can be used as a beverage. The PX could sell 1,000 quarts a day. It hands out just 50—first come, first served.

Only One Dairy
For Americans who do not have Army sales store privileges, it is much rougher than that. There is only one dairy in Shanghai whose milk and butter is considered up to American standards of hygiene. It cannot begin to handle the demand. It recently stopped making butter in order to make the milk go further.

Bread—which doesn't figure very large in the daily Chinese diet—is another item very scarce these days. The mills say they have no wheat to make flour. Flour shipments have died to a trickle.

The American Association, composed of all Americans who are registered with the U.S. Consulate-General, is setting up a virtual bread line in the American Club's bowling alleys.

The Farben industries label is on most bottles of pills and tonics. Ask for Hormones. Ask for the sulphas. Ask for paragon and Lismuth. Ask for anything. If

you get it, the I.G. trademark is right there.

The shortage of sulphaguanidine and paragon-bismuth is what causes the foreign colony the greatest pain—in the stomach. These are the standard ingredients used for the treatment of the type of dysentery that plagues most foreigners with regularity in Shanghai. There are few, if any, substitutes for that prescription for that ailment.

"Tiger Hunter" Major General Chiang Ching-kuo, son of the Generalissimo, is doing his share to run the Yellow Ox boys into his firing-steam corral, and is meeting with some success. But the big hoard of supplies have not yet come to light.

The Tiger Hunter cannot do anything about the longshoremen's strike.

The Yellow Ox gangs use many artificial devices. One cache, uncovered in a coffin warehouse. The ornate, highly-polished oak-lined wooden caskets were found filled with medicines and powdered milk. They also mail the stuff out to relatives in the hinterlands where there are no economic police.

Botra Sales
They move their caches from one godown to another. Every time BOTRA—Board of Trustees for Rehabilitation Affairs—puts up for sale another lot of surplus supplies bought from the U.S., the Yellow Ox boys are at the head of the line in the open sales, and always come in with the highest bids when the supplies are put up for offers on an "as is where is" basis.

One such notice for bids advertised flavouring extracts, sauces, baking powder, soap, soap powder, shaving cream, shampoos, toilet articles, candles, canned nuts, bran flake, water tanks and broken battery boxes.

BOTRA has been hounded by newspapers and individuals to sell the supplies direct to outlets needing them most, on a fixed price basis. But under the regulations by which it was set up, BOTRA has either to sell them retail through specified stores, or call for bids. All BOTRA can do is point out that if the national legislature could be talked into

changing the law, it would be glad to follow such a course.

Others point out it would be just another law with that much more red tape. And in the meantime, the stork won't wait.

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Welcome For Danny Kaye

London, October 30.

Danny Kaye arriving today for his appearance in the Royal Command Show, got the biggest welcome ever seen at the London airport.

American Overseas Airlines attaches were unable to clear a path through the crowds and the police finally helped the stage and screen comic to his car.

Mr. Kaye who flew 6,000 miles in 48 hours is the first artist to be invited from overseas for the annual blue ribbon show.

He is a favourite of the Royal Family—United Press.

Rationing Of Isotopes

London, October 30.

Isotopes are on the ration list here now. Not that a Briton can go to his local store and buy a basketful of these radio-active products of nuclear energy plant along with his weekly one and a half ounces of cheese, but he can do the next best thing, which is to join the isotope queue at Harwell.

Provided his papers are in order, the Briton will be able to claim his share of these new research commodities.

Britain has had to put isotopes on the ration because so many people now want to take advantage of their properties in natural scientific, medical and industrial research that there is an acute shortage.

Besides making its own isotopes in the low energy pile at Harwell, Britain is buying them for precious dollars from the United States and from Canada.

Persons requiring isotopes, however, must approach the Medical Research Council, or the Agricultural Research Council, or the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research for they require their isotope ration cards counter-signed by one of these organisations.—Reuter.

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JAPANESE REPORTED LEADING INDONESIANS

Batavia, October 30.

The Indonesian Republic had appointed as head of the anti-Dutch resistance forces in West Java a Japanese named Aoki, recently captured by Dutch troops near Sukabumi, a Netherlands Army communique alleged today.

It claimed that the Japanese, who had adopted the Indonesian name of Abubakar, was briefed in Jogjakarta, the Republican capital, to "take preparatory measures for a mass revolt against the Dutch in West Java in January, 1949."

Dutch forces, helped by the population, were fighting organized Republican Army units near Sukabumi, many of whom had infiltrated into West Java since August, the communique added.

It reported that the Republicans were mopping up Communists near Blora, and had clashed with others at Medang.

It was reported from The Hague today that the Dutch Foreign Minister, Dr. D. U. Stikker, will seek an important "peace or war" meeting with the Republican Premier, Dr. Mohammad Hatta, and other leaders of the Jogjakarta Government, when he arrives in Batavia tomorrow.

Vital Stage
Observers believed that such a meeting would mark a vital stage in the three-year dispute between the Dutch and Indonesian and might decide whether or not fighting would break out again before the end of the year.

Dr. Stikker is expected to ask Dr. Hatta to carry out to the letter the military and economic clauses of the United Nations sponsored Renville truce agreement signed last January.

The Dutch claim the truce is deteriorating rapidly because of Republican terrorism and infiltration.

Before Dr. Stikker returns to Holland in about 10 days, he is expected to make a final decision whether political negotiations with the Republicans, dechecked five months ago, can be resumed.

The Dutch look upon the maintenance of the truce as an essential condition to resuming negotiations on the new basis proposed by Mr. Merle Cochran, the American member of the Security Council's Good Offices Committee.

Mr. Cochran flew today to Jogjakarta to discuss this point with Dr. Hatta.

Took Exception
The Indonesian Republican Masjoemi (Mohammedan) Party, in a statement today in Jogjakarta, took exception to the remark made by Mr. Hatta, leader of the "Pakistani Goodwill Mission" now visiting Indonesia, that the "Federal Government is a hallmark of democracy," according to the Aneta news agency.

Mr. Hatta was reported to have made his statement at a dinner in honour of West Java's President in Bandung on October 22. "Mr. Hatta must have said this without the foreknowledge of the Pakistani Government," the Masjoemi statement added. "Mr. Hatta should not have made such a statement as it might cause misunderstanding between the Indonesian Republic and Pakistan and among the Mohammedan population of Indonesia," it concluded.

The Republican Sugar Control Bureau announced today that all six sugar refineries in the Madura area, scene of recent fighting, were preserved from destruction by the Communist "scorched earth" policy. Part of the sugar stocks were, however, looted, it added.—Reuter.

HE WANTED AN AUTOGRAPH
New York, October 30.

A man carrying a tightly rolled paper was seized by New York police last night as he tried to push past a police barrier toward President Truman.

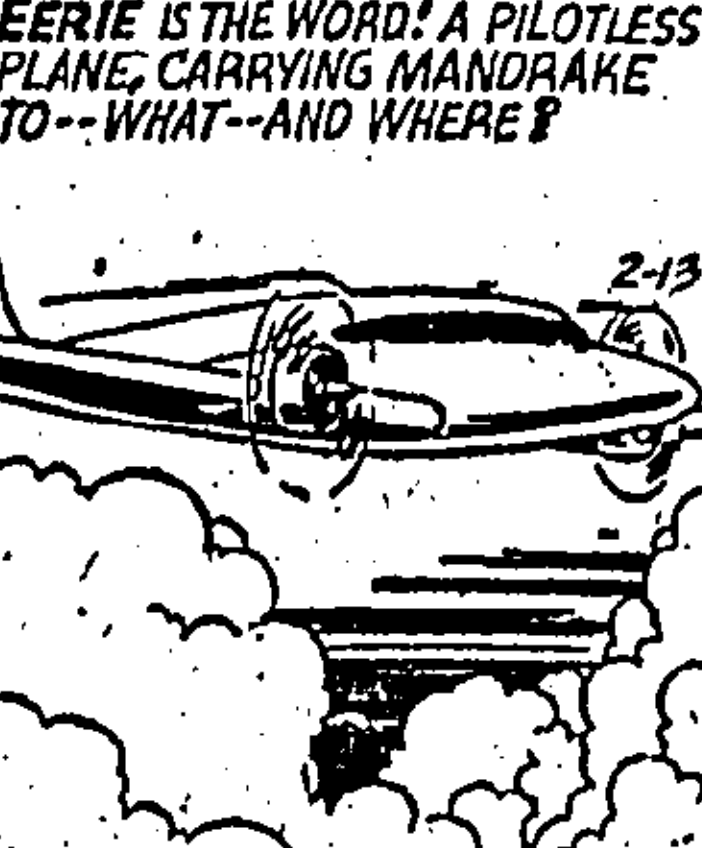
An officer later said the man told them he merely wanted to get the President's autograph.—Reuter.

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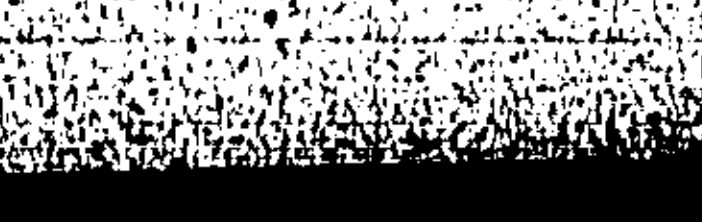
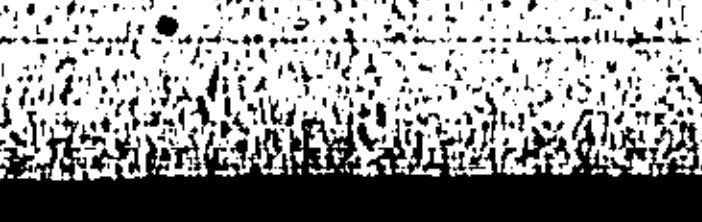
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US PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES AWAIT THE PEOPLE'S VERDICT

Experts Say Dewey Must Unseat Truman

Washington, October 30.

Political experts said flatly today that Governor
Thomas E. Dewey of New York will unseat Presi-
dent Harry Truman in Tuesday's election.They spoke as the campaign—as fateful for Europe
as for the United States—neared its noisy
climax.Republicans were jubilant to-
day at the prospects of a Re-
publican President for the first
time for 20 years.Mr. Truman has declared that
if he is elected the United States
will have a strong international
policy embodying such key points
as aid to countries opposing
Communist aggression and un-
flinching support of the United
Nations.

Anti-Aggression

Senator Arthur Vandenberg,
Republican chairman of the
Senate Foreign Relations Com-
mittee, has said during the cam-
paign that the United States is
one against any form of inter-
national aggression. He was ap-
parently speaking of Mr. Dewey's
foreign policy.He added: "It is of the greatest
importance that the other nations,
which do not understand our
political system should not be
misled by our political campaign
at home.""We shall be in internal con-
troversy regarding many cases
of foreign policy. But we shall
not be in controversy over the
basic fact—that America is
united against aggression and
the foes of freedom."Much of this year's interest in
the campaign is centered on the
bitter fight for control of the
United States Senate. One third
of the 32 members of the Senate
are standing for election.The Democrats say they see a
chance of winning a Senate
majority even if Mr. Truman is
elected by Dewey.That would mean that if elect-
ed, Mr. Dewey might find him-
self in the same situation Mr.
Truman has faced since the Re-
publicans won majorities in the
two Houses of Congress in 1946.

Control Division

If Governor Dewey wins the
Presidency and the Democrats
win a majority in the Senate,
control of the Government again
would be divided between the
two major parties.If the Republicans do not hold
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Governor Ridicules Democrat Campaign

New York, October 30.

Mr. Thomas E. Dewey, Republican candidate, ended
his presidential campaign today by ridiculing
the "Goblins will get you" campaign of Presi-
dent Truman and claiming that the waver-
ing administration foreign policy had
paralysed world peace efforts."This is expected," he said in a speech prepared for
the Madison Square Garden audience.The rally came after a
torchlight parade along the
streets of New York. It was
also the windup of his third
trip for Presidency and the
first in which he was given a
better than even chance to
win.Without mentioning President
Truman by name, Mr. Dewey
condemned the President's cam-
paign tactics. He reminded the
audience that Sunday night will
be Halloween and said that some-
men were going around the coun-
try and threatening vote Demo-
crats or the Goblins will get you.
Halloween, the American ob-
servance of the traditional old

"Mossbacks"

Dr. Dewey said that members
of Congress were called "moss-
backs," who worked with "ment
axes, butcher knives and sabres"
and ate "red herring." He added
that the country will put an
end to the "nightmare" on Tues-
day. Mr. Dewey said that the
Democratic Party resorted to
desperate tactics because it was
"splintered and divided."He said: "Its own house is
divided and at the point of col-
lapse. Its right wing does not
know what the left is doing, or
wished it didn't and what is left
of it is exceedingly unhappy
about both wings. Its leadership
presents to all the world a pic-
ture of what seems to be a wob-
bling, indecisive and divided Am-
erica. By its daily shifts in
policy our forces for peace were
left stunned and work for peace
paralysed."The Republican nominee as-
serted that a party which would
not keep peace with itself, it
could not be trusted to unite
the United States or to keep
peace in the world. He said
that the Truman administration
had failed with democratic
Congress and failed with Re-
publican Congress.

Campaign Pledges

Mr. Dewey gave a summary of
his own campaign pledges. He
promised the "Farmers" the ad-
ministration "they can depend
on" and pledged that farm prices,
support and rural and electrical
programmes would be continued
and strengthened.He promised that labour's free-
dom to organise, bargain, strike,
choose and change jobs, speak
and vote would be zealously
guarded and extended.Mr. Dewey repeated his
pledge to the press for a broad-
er social security programme.Of foreign policy, he said: "We
will wage peace patiently and firm-
ly with intense labour and a new
devotion. We will enlist for this
momentous task, Americans of
the highest order and competence.
"We will follow strong clear
policies. The world will once
again know where we stand and
it will be the same every day.
We shall go all out on the side
of human freedom. We will
work for peace through the United
Nations and by every honour-
able means wherever peace is
threatened."—United Press.

Giant Wing Breaks Records

Washington, October 30.

A Northrop YB-40, an eight-
engined flying wing medium bom-
ber, has broken all endurance
flight records for jet-powered air-
craft in tests at Muroc air base,
California, it was announced to-
night by the United States Air
Force.Flying 3,458 miles between
California and Arizona and back,
the plane flew for nine hours
thirty minutes at an average
ground speed of 382 miles an
hour.The announcement added:
"The test was designed to probe
the plane's endurance and no speed
attempts were made."The 100-ton bomber is a large
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—Reuter.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

International Situation Prime Influence In Economic Trends

Washington, October 30.

BUSINESS WEEK IN AMERICA

New York, October 31. Business and industry maintained a strong underlying position this week. Some lines reached new highs and only in rare cases was there a backward spot in the national economy.

Stalin's attack on the western powers had little effect on current activity except to disturb the autumn rise in the stock market. There was an labour disturbance of consequence. Retail trade was ahead of the previous week and last year.

Electric power output and crude oil production against reached new tops, the third time in three weeks. Steel mill output was only a little under the all time high of the previous week.

Freight car loading were the highest since last November but again fell under the totals of the 1947 week, lending comfort to a widely held theory that tonnage was being diverted to other means of transportation because of recent freight rate increases.

A shutdown of some assembly lines for model changeovers brought a slight drop in automobile production from high totals of the previous week but output was ahead of last year.

Soft coal improved over last week but was under a year ago while heavy construction contracts rose sharply over both periods.

On the unfavourable side of the ledger was a sharp increase in business failures which carried the total to the highest since last February. A variety of factors entered the picture, including the persistence of unfavourable conditions in the textile industry.

Business loans of banks declined too after setting record highs for seven weeks running. This was due more to the lending activities of insurance companies, however, than to a lessening in demand for credit on the part of business and industry.

For the third week in inflationary pressures maintained a dead calm. Retail and wholesale food prices tended to a bit lower while some industrial materials again edged upward.

The stock market backed down sharply at one time but its reasons for doing so were a matter of debate. Some thought it was because of Stalin's outbreak, others leaned to the theory the market was due for a reaction after the long October climb.

At any rate, short term plungers took in on the chin when US Steel directors held on to most of the record high earnings reported in the first nine months and declared only the usual US\$1.25 a share dividend. This was disappointing to those who bought the stock recently on tips that an extra or increased amount would be voted.

The report of big steel was but one of a long parade of record high earnings of prominent corporations made public this week. The list included such stalwarts as Bethlehem Steel, General Motors, and Philco Corporation.

Associated Press.

BIZONIA'S NEW TRADE METHODS

Frankfurt, October 30. A new "streamline" procedure for Bizonia's foreign trade, reducing the function of the joint export and import agency to licensing and foreign exchange control, and putting ordinary business negotiations back into German hands, was adopted by the Board of the Joint Export-Import Administration and signed by Britain and America today.

The official announcement of the new practice will be issued shortly. The new procedure will apply also to the French zone, once the foreign trade merger has been completed and the JELIA procedures have fully taken the place of the former French zone foreign trade agency—Reuter.

Paris, October 30. The exchange rates of all currencies with the franc will remain unchanged during November, the Bank of France announced today—Reuter.

High Government economists consulted by the United Press think the international situation will remain a major influence in future economic trends whether Mr. Dewey or Mr. Truman wins the election.

The business outlook for the period between the election on November 2 and the Presidential inauguration on January 20 is regarded as favourable. The chief factor is larger public purchasing power, which will increase as a result of economic steps approved in the first half of 1948.

These included a Presidential announcement of increased defence needs and approval of SCA appropriations, numerous large wage increases and a tax reduction which added an estimated \$5,000,000 to the national purchasing power.

This expanded public purchasing capacity has had the effect of keeping the average price situation fairly stable except for lower prices for farm commodities after bumper farm crops.

Economists think the October and November business indices

will inspire increased popular confidence and that Christmas trade throughout the nation will be good. The outlook for 1949 is conditioned by the international political situation, with all predictions pointing to Government expenditures even higher than in 1948.

Promises Effect

Mr. Dewey's campaign promises, if fully implemented, are likely to increase rather than decrease the total national expenditure due to: (1) Encouragement given to Western reclamation and hydro-electric projects. (2) Indications of a generous policy toward China. (3) Proposed enlargement of Social Security coverage potentially affecting several million consumers. (4) International policy statements, which gave the impression that Republicans may favour even greater defence expenditures than the "ceiling of \$15,000,000,000 next year which Mr. Truman favoured.

The United States Government is proceeding in routine fashion in preparation for the national budget which is to be submitted to Congress in the opening days of the session, which begins on January 3.

However, it is believed the Congressional Appropriations Committee will postpone any major decisive action until after inauguration day, January 20, so that if Governor Dewey is elected President he will have a full opportunity to make personal recommendations.

There is considerable uncertainty in the Executive Branch of the Government over the future attitude of the Congressional "economy bloc," which after the 1948 Republican victory started its offensive for large budget reductions. But under any circumstances, it is anticipated that a Republican administration, will authorize governmental expenditures for the fiscal year starting July 1, 1949, on a scale sufficient to have a salutary effect on general business.

Economists surmise that if the Republican retain control of Congress, it will tend to discourage the pressure of organized labour for a new round of wage increases.—United Press.

ILO CONCERNED ABOUT JAPAN

Lake Success, October 20.

The United Nations Headquarters today released a report from the International Labour Organisation meeting in Geneva which said management, delegates, attending the ILO Textile Committee session, asked the committee to express grave concern over the policy to expand textile production in Japan and Germany.

The committee said it considered it imperative that the group should "re-emphasise its grave concern at the situation already developing especially with regard to Japan and the potential danger of that development to other producers of cotton, wool, rayon and silk goods."

Ernest Thornton, British worker member of the committee, said British labour was concerned over the policy of rebel Japanese textile industry because development of that industry to its pre-war position would contribute to world disturbance.

He urged the committee to adopt a strong term resolution demanding that the occupying authorities in Japan insure that Japanese textile industries will not again attain their pre-war position. The United States Government member, Rene Lutz, replied that the United States appreciated the problem but the question raised might be outside the competence of the ILO.—United Press.

NEW SITE FOR BOAC BASE

Cairo, October 30.

The British Overseas Airways Corporation flying boat station in Egypt has been transferred from the Nile at Cairo to Lake Mariut, outside Alexandria. The move followed the construction of the Fund EL Awal international land and marine airport, on the lake, only about 15 minutes by car from the centre of Alexandria.

This new marine base consists of an artificial basin 3,000 yards long and 2,500 yards wide, permitting aircraft to alight and take off freely, whatever the direction of the wind.

Another up-to-date feature of the lake airport, is a floating dock—the first in Egypt. This will shortly be put into use by the BOAC for berthing flying boats and will enable passengers to board aircraft and land without having to go out to them by motor launch.

From one each week in 1930 the flying services through Egypt have been expanded to 18 a week today.—Reuter.

China War Progress May Cause US Policy Review

Washington, October 30.

A review of the American political, military and economic policy towards China may be forced by the defeats now being suffered by General Chiang Kai Shek's armies, Government officials declared here today.

Study is already being given to the chances of the United States naval base at Tsingtao being maintained.

Communist forces have already infiltrated into that area where three American cruisers and 12 destroyers are based and where Chinese seamen are being trained. If they link up with the victorious forces in the North a withdrawal by the United States Naval establishment might be necessary. The setbacks now being suffered by the Nationalist, also pose the questions of:

(1) Whether the current \$125,000,000 military aid programme to China can be effectively continued and the present system of American military observers and advisers with the Nationalist armies maintained.

(2) Whether the Chinese economic aid programme can be kept up without considerable waste and the possible loss of supplies to the Communist forces.

The issue is especially topical here in view of the fact that Governor Thomas E. Dewey, the Republican Presidential candidate, has made increased aid to China a notable part of his foreign policy.

Future Uncertain Whether such an increase is possible and even whether the present measures can be continued with good purpose must for the time being be regarded as uncertain.

The major guide to the policy Mr. Dewey will follow, if elected, will probably be supplied by Mr. William Bullitt, the former United States Ambassador to Russia and China under President Roosevelt, who is leaving for China shortly to look into the situation there.

Mr. Bullitt who has been critical of the Truman Administration policies towards General Chiang Kai Shek and who has urged greater American military assistance to the Central Government, is travelling under the auspices of the so-called Congressional Watch-dog Committee, keeping an eye on the efficiency of all foreign aid programmes.

Whether or not the unofficial report today that Mr. Bullitt has been confirmed, it is understood here that the American Consul there will stay on.

More than a year ago an American official disclosed that Angus Ward, the Consul in Chungking, is a member of the Communist Party and the city—Reuter.

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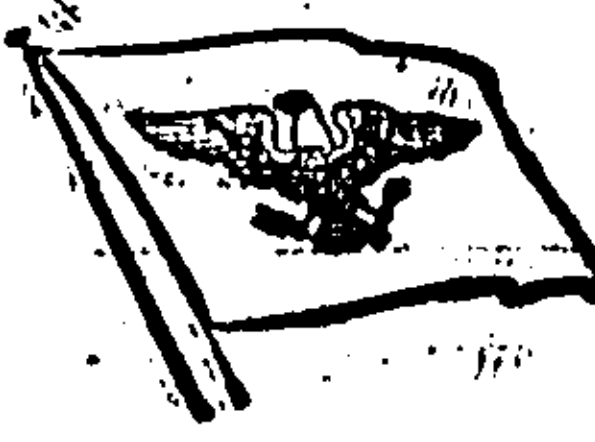
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